





# **BOOK 1**

Read 2,000,000+ Times on EPIC! app Starred Kirkus Review Eureka! Nonfiction Honor Book

> BOOKS 2 AND 3 Coming May, 2023!

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# Welcome Readers

Dear Readers:

#### 2023!

We've had an exciting year! A Little Bit of Dinosaur received a Starred Kirkus review. Even more exciting, on the EPIC! app, it's been read over 1 million times! We're adding Books 2 and 3 to creat A Little Bit of Dinosaur series.

#### **HOLIDAY STORY**

We're excited to add a
Halloween book to our
Christmas book from last
year. Read I WANT A CAT to
learn about sign
language and friendships.

#### FIELD NOTEBOOKS

## ADDING TO POPULAR SERIES

And coming in 2022 are additions to two popular series. The Moments in Science series will add AQUARIUM: How Jeanette Power Invented the Aquarium to Study Marin Life. The Kittytubers series adds KITTEN FRIENDS: Quincy's story. The first three books feature Angel Persian, but this one turns to Quincy' her brother's point-of view.

# ANOTHER EXTRAORDINARY ANIMAL

We added DIEGO THE GIANT GALAPAGOS TORTOISE: Saving a Species from Extinction last year. It's starred review means this is one of our most beloved book series.

This year, we will publish an American history story, GEORGE WASHINGTON'S ENGINEER: How Rufus Putnam Won the Siege of Bostom Without Firing a Shot. This

> story has fascinated me for years. It's the story of a brillaint engineer solving a big problem just in time.

> We are hard at work on 2024 books! We have an exciting one coming about ducklings. (And that's all

the hint you'll get until the cover reveal.)

Enjoy the reads!

Darcy Pattison
Mims House

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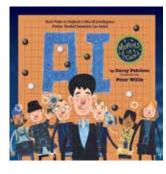
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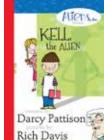
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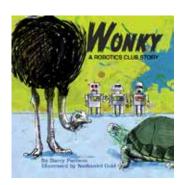
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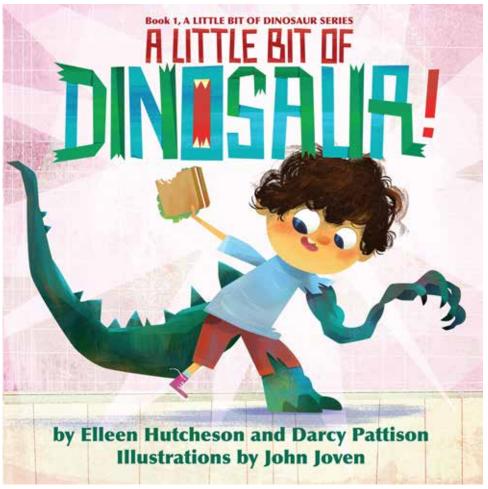
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Contemporary and fantasy novels for middle grade readers.



# Over 1 Million Reads on EPIC!

# A Little Bit of Dinosaur Series



## Science

# A Little Bit of Dinosaur

"...entertaining tale... A science-centric winner, especially for young dinosaur lovers." Kirkus starred review

"...an engaging scientific concept... bright, comical cartoon artwork..." School Library Journal 2021 Arkansiana Award from the Arkansas Library Association 2021 Eureka! Nonfiction Honor book, California Reading Association

EPIC! app – 2,000,000+ reads

Did you know that you have a little bit of dinosaur in you?

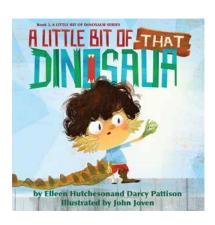
And it's your mother's fault. She fed you that cheese sandwich, which had a calcium atom that used to be in the bones of a T. rex.

This humorous story follows a calcium atom as it journeys from dry bones to your jawbone! The colorful illustrations add humor and a touch of empathy.

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#### **BOOK 2, A LITTLE BIT OF THIS DINOSAUR**

Did you know that you have a little bit of dinosaur in you? And it's your brother's fault. That egg fight meant there was only two eggs left and one of them had a carbon atom that used to be in the bones of a Spinosaurus.

This humorous story follows a carbon atom as it journeys from dry bones to your spinal column – and beyond!

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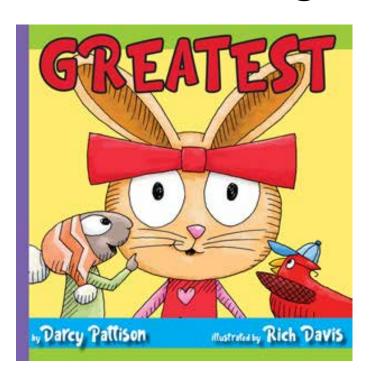
#### **BOOK 3, A LITTLE BIT OF THAT DINOSAUR**

Did you know that you have a little bit of dinosaur in you?

And it's your cousin's fault. She dared you to pitch a peanut high in the air and catch it in your mouth. You didn't know it had a nitrogen atom that used to be in the egg of a Hadrosaurus.

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# And the greatest of these is...



When your name is Love Truly, you need to act with, well, love. But the new rhino in town, PeeWee is big, blue, and scary. When he spills his food tray, will Love Truly and her friends, Faith Deep and Hope Big, conquer their fear and step up to help? Or will they turn away?

Learning to act with love may be the most courageous thing Love Truly ever does.

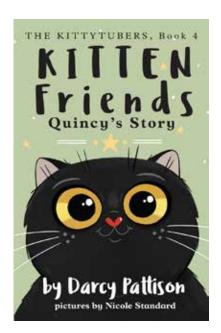
"Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love." I Corinthians 13:13 NLT

This simple, yet profound story will challenge kids to think about their actions toward others in new ways. Come along on the emotional journey of learning to accept people who are different from you.

32 pages, 8.5" x 8.5"

# Fiction for 8-14 year olds

# Quincy's Story Will He Become a Food-Cat?

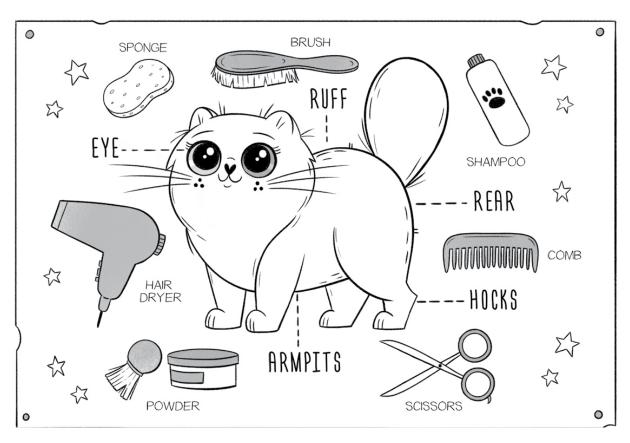


Quincy Persian wants two things: a great roommate and a chance to become a food-cat on KittyTube. But Joaquin Maine coon, the largest kitten, has taken over their dorm room. Quincy is forced to take the top bunk and hides in fear of this bully.

Taping new food cat videos should be his refuge. Instead, Quincy must work with kittens like Mirko Bengal, who bungles every scene. Lonely, Quincy turns to Ismo Bobtail, an international kitten from Japan who is studying the KittyTube operation and hopes to help start something similar in Japan. Life in the Kitten Dorm is hard!

In this exciting return to the KittyTube world, Angel's brother, Quincy takes center stage. Somehow Quincy must keep his relationships straight and still manage to make the cut when the kitten actors are cut to only twenty kittens who will move on to the next phase. Follow Quincy's path toward stardom.

114 pp, 5.5" x 8.5"



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## RIDICULOUSLY ADORABLE!

# Meet THE KITTYTUBERS

Discover the secret world behind the scenes of your favorite cat videos and fall in love with the kittens of KittyTube.



#### **MEET THE KITTYTUBERS**

On a glittering night of destiny, a cat star is born.

The Majestic Kennels, home to the famous cats of KittyTube, welcomes a new kitten, Angel Persian. Angel is eager to follow in the footsteps of her famous mother and father and become a Kittytube sensation. Discover the secret world behind the scenes of your favorite cat videos and fall in love with the cats of KittyTube.

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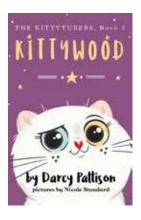


#### ANGEL FLIPS THROUGH THE PAGES

Kittywood is all abuzz trying to guess which of the 27 kittens will be cut. Angel and Jazz hope to make the final 20, but to do that, they need views. That means, more pressure on every video. They need stronger ideas and better acting.

In this continuing chapter book series of The KittyTubers, the kittens grow and mature, developing their acting skills. Join the kittens as they work—and hope—for stardom!

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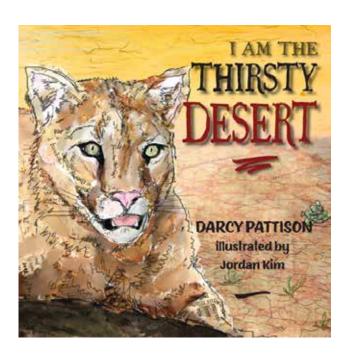
#### FIND OUT IF ANGEL IS A KITTYWOOD STAR

Angel Persian, a kitten born into a famous KittyTube family, faces her biggest acting challenge yet. The clock is ticking! By the month's end, only ten kittens will be offered acting contracts.

Stardom! Will she be chosen?

In this final chapter book of The KittyTubers trilogy, Angel Persian searches for a home where she can use her talents. Read this heartwarming story about Angel Persian's search for her future. 124pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

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# I AM THE THIRSTY DESERT

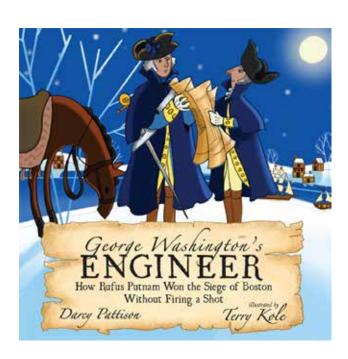
Award-winning science writer Darcy Pattison presents a superbloom from the desert's point-of-view.

When a sudden downpour, a monsoon, falls in the desert, plants and animals explode with growth. Plants sprout, bloom, produce seeds and die within a couple days. Likewise, in a week, animals hatch, grow, mate, lay eggs, and return to hibernation or estivation.

Strong lyrical text takes on the persona of the desert as it watches seeds it has cradled become flowering plants.

March, 2023 32pp. 8.5" x 8.5"

# GEORGE WASHINGTON'S ENGINEER

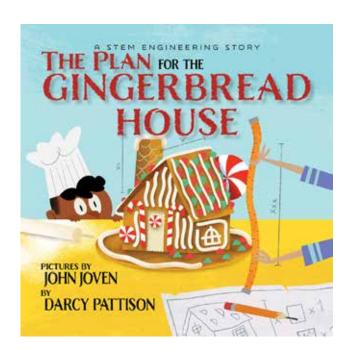


In January 1776, George Washington had a problem: the British army controlled the city of Boston. The colonial army needed to force the British to leave. But how?

Washington had a solution: ask his engineer Rufus Putnam to solve the problem.

This is the exciting, true story of how an engineer won a battle without firing a shot.

July, 2023 32pp. 8.5" x 8.5"



# FIELD NOTEBOOKS:

How Scientists Record and Write About Observations

Put scientists out in the field—where they observe and learn from their subjects—and exciting things happen. Join fourteen American scientists as they watch sleeping hippos, avoid cactus thorns, hide snakes under their skirts, make jokes, and draw elephants, termites or squids.

Drawing from the original field notebooks of scientists, kids will learn about descriptive, informative, humorous, and expository writing. Scientists use notebooks to summarize data, draw maps, or draw specimen. Represented are scientists studying birds, cactus, zoo keeping, human diseases, termites, mollusks, fish, grasses, Mayan ruins, Chinese plants and animals, taxidermy, and peanuts. Kids will be inspired to create their own field notebooks. 32pp. 8.5" x 8.5"

# THE PLAN FOR THE GINGERBREAD HOUSE

A STEM Engineering Story

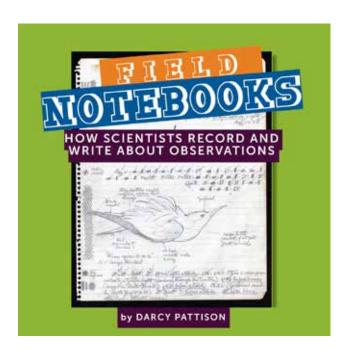
Teams of kids are baking, building, and decorating. The project guidelines are clear: the winning house must stand upright on its own and a gingerbread boy and girl must fit inside.

Sounds easy? It would be except...cookies burn, the icing is too thin, the house caves-in, someone is eating the candy decorations, and—oh!—they forgot about the gingerbread boy and girl.

Follow the team as they struggle to create the perfect gingerbread house. Young engineers will learn to overcome problems and press on to a finished house. At the end, they evaluate their efforts and plan for a better gingerbread house.

Need a winter STEM engineering project? This book inspires the budding engineers to think about the classic gingerbread house in a new way. Written in a lyrical rhyme, it's sure to please the language arts folks, too.

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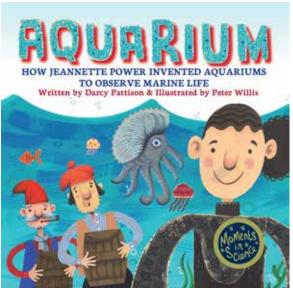
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# Award - Winning Science

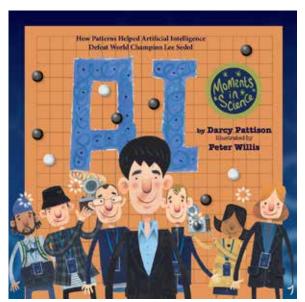
# Moments in Science

This award winning series looks a moments when science changes forever. Combining science history with careful inquiry and accessible explanations, this series has won multiple awards and captured the hears of budding scientists.

**SUMMER 2023** 

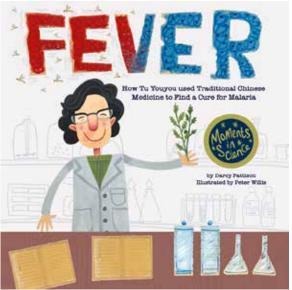


French scientist Jeannette Power invented the aquarium to study marine life. 32 pp. 8.5" x 8.5"



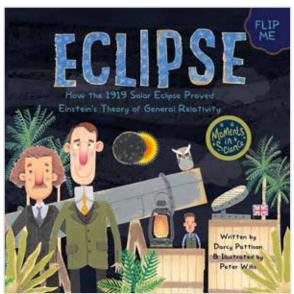
The stage was set for a showdown: Man v. Machine. On March 9, 2016, the AlphaGo artificial intelligence computer program played the board game, GO, against the world champion, Lee Sedol.

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Chinese scientist Tu YouYou discovers a cure for malaria and eventually wins the Nobel Prize for Medicine.

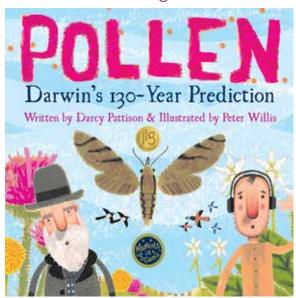
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Astronomer Arthur Eddington photograph the 1919 solar eclipse to prove Einstein's theory of general relativity.

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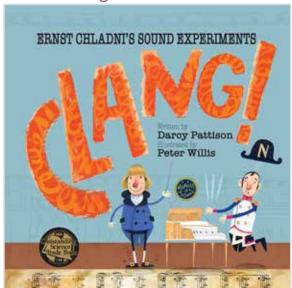
# Starred Kirkus Review 2020 NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book



How long does it take for science to find an answer to a problem? Though Darwin predicted a moth would pollinate a Madagascar star orchid, it took 130 years to find the answer to this scientific mystery.

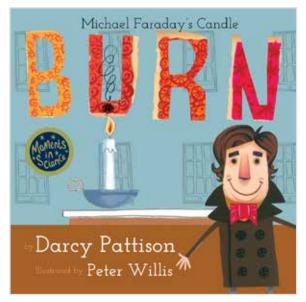
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2019 NSTA
Outstanding Science Trade Book



Ernst Chladni entertains Emperor Napoleon with his sound experiments. In return, Napoleon funds his research. The story of the Father of Acoustics.

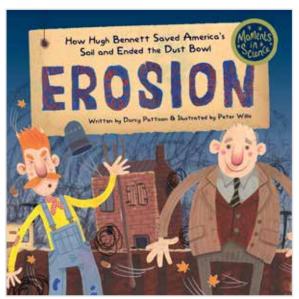
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British scientist Michael Faraday encouraged kids to carefully observe a candle and to try to figure out how it burned.

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2021 NSSTA
Outstanding Social Studies Book



When the dust storms of the 1930s threatened to destroy US farming and agriculture, Hugh Bennett knew what to do. The story of the first law ever passed to protect the land, the soil.

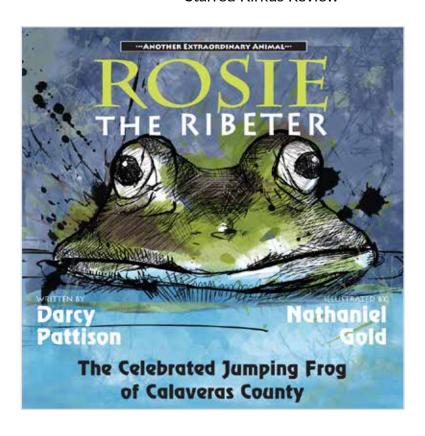
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# AWARD WINNING COLLECTION OF ANIMAL BIOGRAPHIES

- Bird
- Mammal
- Arachnid Spider
- Amphibian
- Reptile

# **\*\*\*ANOTHER EXTRAORDINARY ANIMAL\*\*\***

WISDOM, THE MIDWAY ALBATROSS
PW Starred Review
ABAYOMI, THE BRAZILIAN PUMA
2015 NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book
Alabama Camelia Children's Choice Reading List
NEFERTITI THE SPIDERNAUT
2017 NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book
ROSIE THE RIBETER
DIEGO, THE GIANT GALAPAGOS TORTOISE
Starred Kirkus Review



# ROSIE THE RIBETER: THE CELEBRATED JUMPING FROG OF CALAVERAS COUNTY

This is the astounding story of a female bullfrog who came out of the wild for a single week in 1986 and stunned the world with her jumping. She set the world record triple-jump at 21 feet, 5 and 3/4 inches. Celebrate Mark Twain's famous short story of the Celebrated Jumping Frog with this true story.

32 pp. 8.5" x 8.5"

This is the story of the 50-year effort to save an endangered giant Galapagos tortoise species. It's one of the most successful breeding programs in history.

# DIEGO, THE GIANT GALAPAGOS TORTOISE

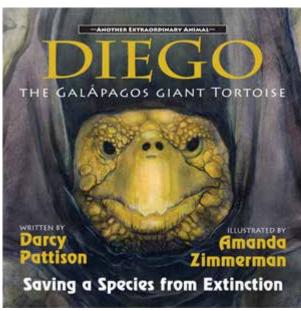
## SAVING A SPECIES FROM EXTINCTION

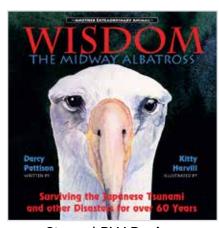
In 1963, Ecuador established a national park to protect the Galapagos Islands. When they did a census, scientists found only 14 individuals of the Española Island tortoises. The species was almost extinct. Then, they found one more Española tortoise in the San Diego Zoo, whom they named Diego, and he was brought back to the Galapagos for a breeding program.

In 2020, Diego returned to his home island to join over 2500 other Española tortoises. Read the story of Diego, the giant Galapagos tortoise who returned home about 100 years after he was captured. He will now live out his life with his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren on the island of his birth.

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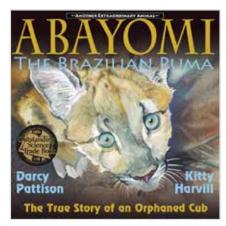




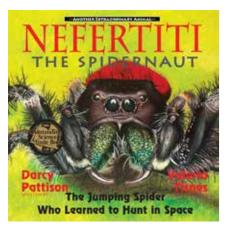
Starred PW Review

The story of the oldest known wild bird in the world and how she survived the Japanese tsunami.

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2015 NSTA Outstanding
Science Trade Book
A mother puma, an attempt to
steal a chicken and an angry
chicken farmer—the search
is on for orphaned cubs. Will
the scientists be able to find
the cubs before their time
runs out? 32pp. 8.5" x 8.5"



2017 NSTA Outstanding
Science Trade Book
An amazing science
experiment in space sends
a jumping spider to the
International Space Station.
To eat, she jumps to catch
prey. Could she learn to hunt
in space?

32pp. 8.5" x 8.5"

14 Heartland Tales

## Fantastic

# The Heartland Tales

A great loss has frozen Win's heart. He cares for nothing. But he's the only person who can save the Heartland.

Win must descend into the great Rift. For beyond it lies the Well of Life. Only its waters will heal the plague that spreads like wildfire.

REISSUE: Originally published by Greenwillow Books, 2000

What they are saying about The Wayfinder

- "... the adventures will keep readers turning the pages." Booklist
- "... Pattison has created an intriguing universe ..." School Library Journal
- "... appealing characterizations..."
  Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books
- "...a believable world populated with credible characters . . ." Horn Book 210 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

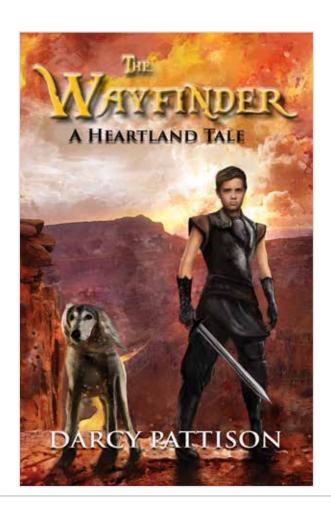
This is the story of a falconer, a strong courageous girl who strode out of the north country and into legend.

The fierce Zendi have conquered the Heartland and will soon take over complete control of the government. Superstitious, the Zendi believed the Oracle: When the last of the seven ravens who protected the capital city G'il Dan dies, the Zendi will rule uncontested. They're allowed to sacrifice a single raven each year. They've waited for five long years.

Then, one raven dies unexpectedly. Now, there's only one G'il Dan raven left.

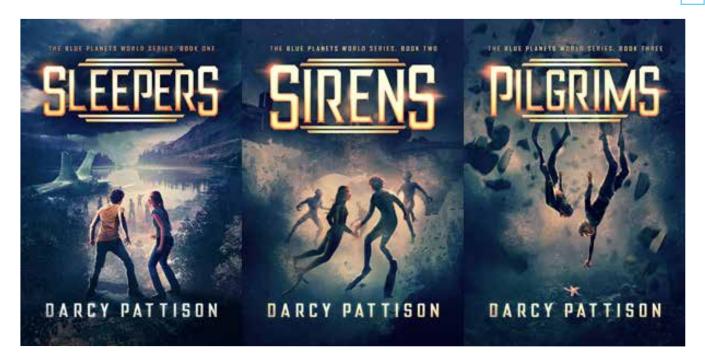
Nothing can save the last raven of the Heartland. Except a norther girl and her falcon.

230 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"





Blue Planets Series 15



Rison will implode soon. They desperately need a new blue planet, a water planet for their aquatic species. Will humans be able to open their hearts and their world to an alien race?

# He's Half-Alien; She's Not Quite Human

# The Blue Planets World Series

#### **BOOK 1: SLEEPERS**

Sleepers is the first book of an exciting science fiction trilogy that forces a dying world to beg for refuge on Earth. A test-tube baby, fourteen-year-old Jake Rose is half human and half alien. His mother, Dayexi Quad-de, is the Risonian ambassador to Earth. She's tasked with finding Risonians a new home on Earth in a peaceful manner. Will the Risonians be accepted on Earth? Or will they face extinction? 250 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

#### **BOOK 2:SIRENS**

Sirens is the continuing story of Jake Rose, a teenager who is half-alien and half-human. When aliens beg for refuge on Earth, they ask only for a home in the seas. But what if Earth's oceans aren't empty? 208 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

#### **BOOK 3: PILGRIMS**

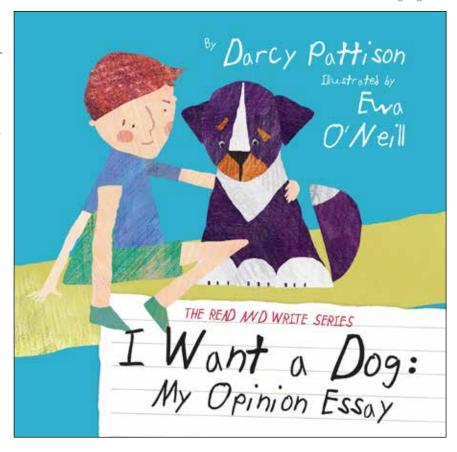
Pilgrims is the thrilling conclusion of an epic science fiction trilogy that pits Risonians and Earthlings against inevitable implosion of a planet. A small team from Earth travels to Rison to find the cure for a water-borne disease that threatens the Phoke, the mermen and mermaids of Earth. In a rush against time, they must deal with the politics of desperate men and the tricks of a dying planet. Will they find the cure and escape in time? 190 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

# BOOK 1: I WANT A DOG: MY OPI-NION ESSAY

When cousins Dennis and Mellie decide to get pets, they must make hard decisions about the best dog for each family. They use nine criteria to help decide among the breeds.

". . .fill(s) a niche for teachers. ." - School LibraryJournal

32 pp. 8.5" x 8.5"



## Simple Essays

# The Read and Write Series

Children's book author Darcy Pattison has provided professional development for over 25 years to teachers on the topic of teaching writing to kids. She's carefully studied the Common Core State Standards and applied them to her teaching. These are the lessons she'd love to teach to every student!

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# FREE PRINTABLES FOR ENTIRE SERIES TURNS THE BOOKS INTO SIMPLE LESSON PLANS

Each book has 5-8 printable worksheets. Pre-writing activities include activities specific to the type of essay. Narrative writing emphasizes sensory details. Informative writing emphasizes facts and statistics. Opinion writing asks students to think about their criteria for an opinion.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO DOWNLOAD THE PRINTABLES:

https://mimshousebooks.com/collections/read-and-write

# BOOK 2: I WANT A CAT: MY OPINION ESSAY

Mellie wants a cat that pounces, but Dennis wants a lazy cat. Using nine criteria, these cousins consider cat breeds, then write an opinion essay.

- ". . . absolutely delightful. . ." Joan Miller, Cat Fancier's Association
- ". . .as informative a cat book as any text out there." Alexis Mitchell, Maine Coon Cat Breeders, Cat Fancier's Association.

32 pp. 8.5" x 8.5"

# BOOK 3: MY CRAZY DOG: MY NARRATIVE ESSAY

Dennis must take his dog to the vet—if he can catch him. The adventure inspires a narrative essay full of details.

- "...breezy and engaging introduction to genre writing." Booklist
- "VERDICT: A good choice to help the visual learners write narrative essays." School Library Journal

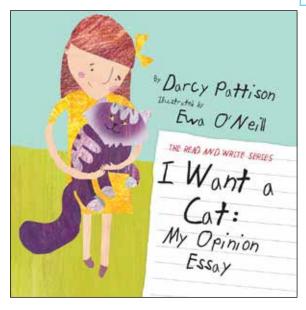
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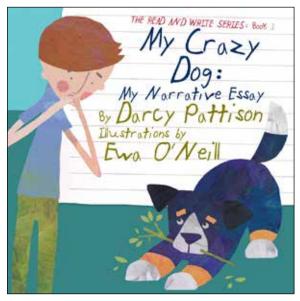
# BOOK 4: MY DIRTY DOG: MY INFORMATIVE ESSAY

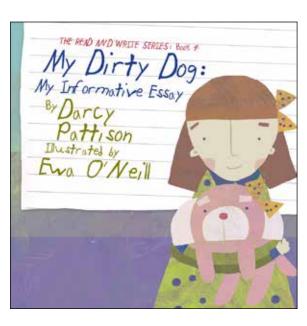
When the family gathers for Grandma's birthday, they spend the day at the local K-9 Karnival. Cousins Dennis and Mellie get their faces painted, learn how to give a dog a bath, and march in a parade. At home, they write informative essays about the day. Two full mentor essays included. With the homework done, it's time for Grandma's birthday party!

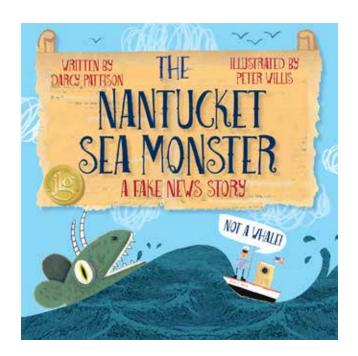
This book includes a how-to essay and an informative essay as mentor texts.

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# THE NANTUCKET SEA MONSTER: A FAKE NEWS STORY



# A JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD SELECTION 2019 NCTE Notable Children's Book in Language Arts

Early in August 1937, a news flash came: a sea monster had been spotted lurking off the shore of Nantucket Island. Historically, the Massachusetts island had served as port for whaling ships. Eyewitnesses swore this wasn't a whale, but some new, fearsome creature. As eyewitness account piled up, newspaper stories of the sea monster spread quickly. Across the nation, people shivered in fear.

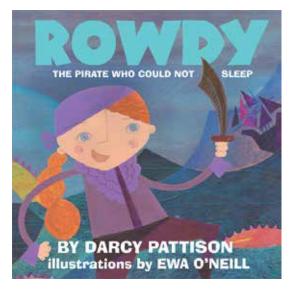
Then, footprints were found on a Nantucket beach. Photographs were sent to prominent biologists for their opinion. Discussion swirled about raising a hunting party. On August 18, news spread across the island: the sea monster had been captured. Islanders ran to the beach and couldn't believe their eyes.

This nonfiction picture book is a perfect tool to discuss non-political fake news stories. Back matter discusses the freedom of the press guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Quotes from Thomas Jefferson make it clear that fake news has always been one of the costs of a free press. A Timeline lists actual events in the order they occurred. A vocabulary list defines relevant words.

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Rowdy Bedtime 19

# ROWDY: THE PIRATE WHO COULD NOT SLEEP

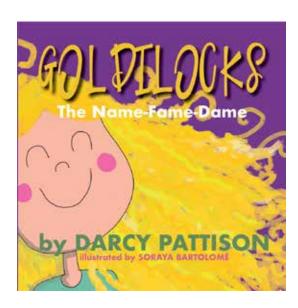


Captain Whitney Black McKee is a rowdy pirate! After traveling the seven seas and fighting sea monsters, it's time to come back to home port for a rest. But the Captain's sleep has gone all awry.

Sleepless. What's a rowdy captain to do? She sends her crew a'thievin' for a simple lullaby. But the rowdy heart doesn't always know what it wants or needs. She won't find rest, until her own dear Pappy arrives.

This charming children's picture book is perfect for fathers to read with their 4-8-year-old daughters. And follow it with a lullaby or two. Great Father's Day gift or for anytime you want to encourage a father-daughter relationship. Come and celebrate rowdy girls and their fathers.

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# Folktale

# GOLDILOCKS: THE NAME FAME DAME

Have you heard of Goldilocks?

Of course, you have! She's the name-fame-dame. That long-strong, bold-gold hair has earned her an international reputation.

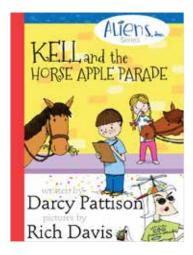
And she knows it.

Goldilocks thinks she can do anything she wants.

This retelling of the folk/fairy tale creates a children's picture book that is sure to become a read-aloud classic.

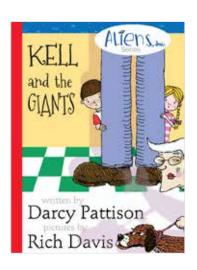
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20 Shot Chapter Books



# THE ALIENS INC. CHAPTER BOOK SERIES, BOOK 2: KELL AND THE HORSE APPLE PARADE

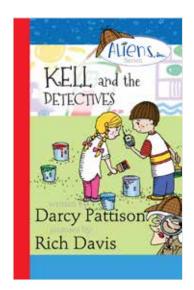
For Kell, the Friends of Police Parade is a big deal, his first Earthling parade. With Bree's help, he must figure out how to deal with City Hall, figure out fund-raising, and find superheroes and superheroines to march in the parade. To make things worse, Principal Lynx believes someone in third grade in an alien, and she has a new Alien Catcher App on her smart phone. 118 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"



# THE ALIENS INC. CHAPTER BOOK SERIES, BOOK 3: KELL AND THE GIANTS

If you're an alien on Earth, you have one giant secret to keep. Kell and Bree plan a birthday party with giants—Big Foot, Cyclops, Goliath and the Jolly Green Giant—while they struggle with keeping their own giant secret. But Principal Lynx and the Society of Alien Chasers is back with a dog trained to sniff out an alien in a crowd.

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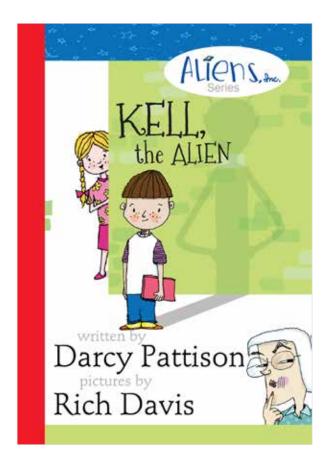
# THE ALIENS, INC. CHAPTER BOOK SERIES, BOOK 4: KELL AND THE DETECTIVES

Kell makes a startling discovery: he has zigzag fingerprints. Worse, Mrs. Lynx and the Society of Alien Chasers know about the fingerprints, and they are on the hunt. Everyone turns detective in this continuing adventure of an alien family from planet Bix, who struggles to make ends meet by putting on birthday parties for kids. But the stakes are higher than ever because Kell's mom has just laid a beautiful green egg. With Mrs. Lynx on the prowl, can Kell and Bree keep the egg safe?

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# THE ALIENS, INC. SERIES

Each book features over 90 humorous black-and-white illustrations from Rich Davis. For added fun, we've hidden special images throughout each book for kids to find. 5.5" x 8.5"



Kell discovers that his neighbor, Bree Hendricks, turns 9-years-old next month, and she wants a party with an alien theme. That should be simple as flying from star to star. But Earthling's ideas about aliens are totally wrong. Even worse, Principal Lynx is a UFO-Chaser and suspects aliens around every corner. 116 pp. 8.5" x 5.5"

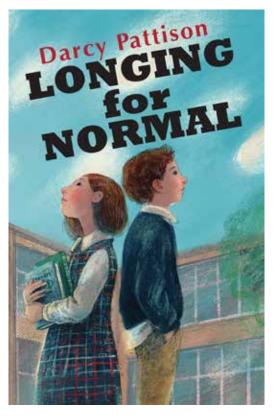
#### Publisher's Weekly Review of Kell, the Alien

"Kell's observations of Earth and details about life on planet Bix are amusing, and Davis's wiry b&w line art further enlivens an engaging, accessible story. Kell's struggles to fit in will resonate just fine with Earth's readers."

#### School Library Journal Review of Kell and the Detectives

"Kell's observations of Earth and details about life on planet Bix are amusing. The blackand-white line art further enlivens an engaging, accessible story. Kell's struggles to fit in will resonate with readers. . . VERDICT This fun chapter book series is out of this world." 22 Contemporary Novels

# CONTEMPORARY FAMILY STORIES

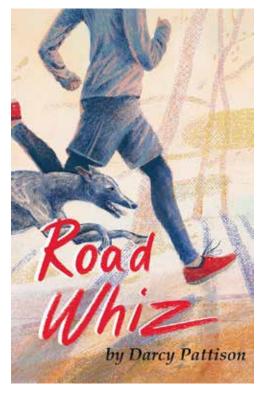


## The Amazing Bread Project

A boy unites an immigrant community and rebuilds his family-using a simple sourdough bread recipe.

"Pattison's characters provide a reason to keep reading. In voices old before their time, due to years in the system, they describe their desperate attempts to stay relevant to the adults in their lives. A rare book featuring foster kids in realistic scenarios." *Booklist* 

5.5" x 8.5"



# Sports Novel - Why Compete?

Fourteen-year-old Jamie is growing too fast! Friends taunt him that his feet are so big the last time he stepped in a puddle, they called it the Mississippi River.

As Jamie moves from 8th to 9th grade, Dad expects Jamie to join traditional sports, like football. Instead, Road Whiz, a retired greyhound racing dog, inspires Jamie to run. He starts training to run 5Ks.

Like the retired greyhound, Jamie struggles with the question of why should he run? Does he run to win, or does he run because he loves running? With Road Whiz as his mentor, Jamie faces the challenges in his life, from family changes to his own growing body.

This middle grade novel will mesmerize boys who struggle with the idea of competition. Jamie's resolution of his doubts, fears and hopes about competing will inspire teens as they experience their own disturbing, if inevitable, growth.

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# MIDDLE GRADE FANTASY



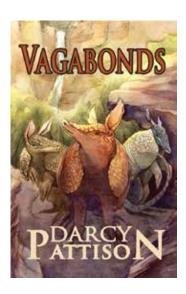
## Beware the Troll's Eye

"Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it."

-Michelangelo

But what if an unscrupulous sculptor could trap someone inside a block of stone, just so he could carve them?

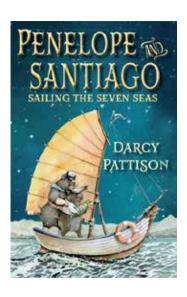
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## **American Fantasy**

In the tradition of *Charlotte's Web* or *The Underneath* comes the American fantasy, *Vagabonds*, the saga of El Garro's armadillo colony, the scouts and pioneers who have always been at the forefront of the migration. Rumors from their original homeland, the jungles far to the south, indicate that El Garro's colony may be nearing the fabled Faralone Falls, where they will find the answer to why they have traveled northward for decades.

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#### Follow Your Dream

Pigs don't sail.

"This pig will," said Santigo defiantly.

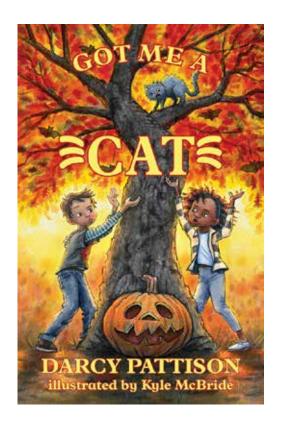
Penelope has always longed for more, but she's never dared to dream big. "Sail? Would you take me with you?"

This fantasy novel follow the unlikely story of two pigs who leave the farm in search of sailing ships.

From the fascinating world of tall ships comes this unlikely tale of humble pigs who follow their dream. Come and follow the Talberts on their journey into a wider world where pigs can sail.

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# SIGN LANGUAGE & FRIENDSHIP

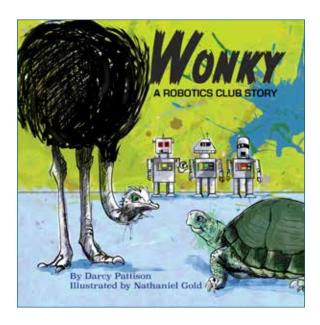
She arrived on Halloween Eve, in the Year of Acorns. Benjy named her Tricks.

## "...excellent tale for young readers." Kirkus Reviews

From award-winning author Darcy Pattison comes a humorous Halloween story with a hard-of-hearing girl who uses ASL (American Sign Language). Short chapter book for transitional readers.

40 pages, 5.5" x 8.5"

# ROBOTS & FRIENDSHIP



Howie ambles into robot club hoping to find a friend. But when Lincoln bounds into the room, Howie hides. The bird is too big and fluffy. The teacher, however, puts the unlikely pair together. Will they be able to accept each other's wonky ideas and become friends?

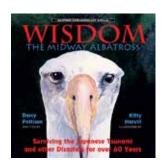
This picture book encourages divergent thinking as Lincoln and Howie design a robot. For kids who are rigid and inflexible, they'll see the value of considering different options, and accepting those who are different.

8.5" x 8.5"

Reviews 25

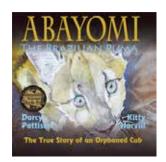


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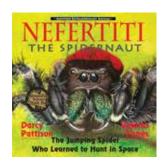
☆"Pattison writes crisply and evocatively," - Starred Publisher's Weekly

"It's marvelous! I LOVE it! And I got a lump in my throat, tears! And I'm a biologist! Your book is beautiful, meaningful, simple, elegant." - Kim Rivera, National Seabird Coordinator, NOAA Fisheries, Deputy ARA, Protected Resources Division, Alaska Region



2015 National Science Teacher's Association Outstanding Science Trade Book

". . . Harvill's muted, realistic portraits of Brazilian fauna and flora give a strong sense of the pumas' threatened natural habitat." - Publisher's Weekly

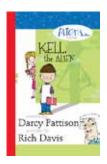


2017 National Science Teacher's Association Outstanding Science Trade Book

2016-17 Alabama Camellia Children's Book Award reading list

Midwest Book Review says "...highest recommendation..." National Space Society says, "...fascinating...gives us all hope...

"Darcy Pattison truly caught the scope of the science while keeping you rooting for Nefertiti." Mary Ann Colley, VP of Science and Conservation, Butterfly Pavilion, Westminster, CO



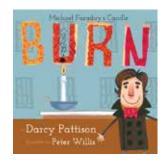
Aliens 1: "amusing" and "engaging and accessible."

- Publisher's Weekly

Aliens 2: "VERDICT This fun chapter book series is out of this world" - School Library Journal

Aliens 4 - Audiobook: "Doing alien voices gives narrator Josiah John Bildner a fun challenge. . . This is a worthy addition to the alien genre for kids." Audiofile Magazine

26 Selected Reviews



". . .whimsically illustrated. . ."

"...for readers... beginning the learn the process of scientific inquiry." School Library Journal

"Delightful. . . illustrations are scientific, yet kid-friendly."

- Science Educators - Karen Ansberry and Emily Morgan



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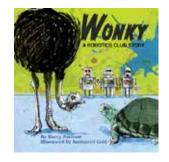
". . .fill(s) a niche for teachers. . ." - School Library Journal

"This is a remarkable children's book . . ." -Fred Kampo, President of the Labrador Retriever Club

". . .the perfect resource when teaching persuasive writing and opinion essay." Peggy Carlisle, NBCT, Director, NSTA Preschool/Elementary Division



"A solid beginning to a trilogy that addresses all sorts of teenage alienation. . . Pattison humanizes the alien experience and—without pushing the point—paints xenophobia itself as faintly ridiculous." *Kirkus Reviews* 

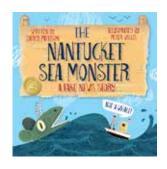


". . . offbeat and clever. . . With pages filled with animals and robots, this tale will certainly appeal to kids. . . ." Kirkus Reviews

"Two of the best ways to attract reluctant readers to picture books is with animals and robots, and this book is loaded with both! Ideal for STEM teachers." Danny Brassell, Educator Mims House Booksl

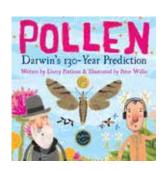


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"... the wry, playful delivery... keeps things entertaining, brilliantly inviting discussion about hoaxes while remaining kid appropriate... A thought provoking story with timely resonance." Kirkus Reviews

Junior Library Guild selection NCTE 2018 Notable Children Book in Language Arts



★ "Using plenty of science vocabulary made approachable through conversational text and Willis' kid-friendly illustrations, Pattison captures the sense of wonder that comes from discovery, even if the proof arrives 130 years after the initial idea." " - Starred Kirkus

Junior Library Guild selection Eureka! Nonfiction Honor Book 2020 NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book



"This illustrated children's book explains how a famous experiment used a solar eclipse to prove that light bends around the sun... Pattison (The Falconer, 2019, etc.) takes a complicated scientific theory and makes it not just fairly understandable, but entertaining as well. Willis' (Pollen, 2019) illustrations are a delight, using a collage technique that combines original art with scraps from newspapers and books." *Kirkus Reviews* 



"...an impressive fantasy...a visionary palette over which the author executes fine control." Kirkus Reviews

"Another deftly written action/adventure fantasy novel by an author who is a master of the genre..." Midwest Book Reviews

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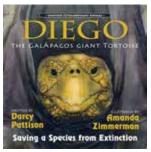


"...Pattison's characters delight..." Kirkus Reviews

This book os full of funny things and sad things but I love it.

My favorite bit is when Pittypat asks what a word means its hilarious.

Kara Kennedy, Amazon reviewer



☆ Starred Kirkus Review: "This well-crafted success story of a species' salvation will encourage budding environmentalists."

"A worthwhile addition to Pattison's Another Extraordinary Animal series." *Booklist* 

