



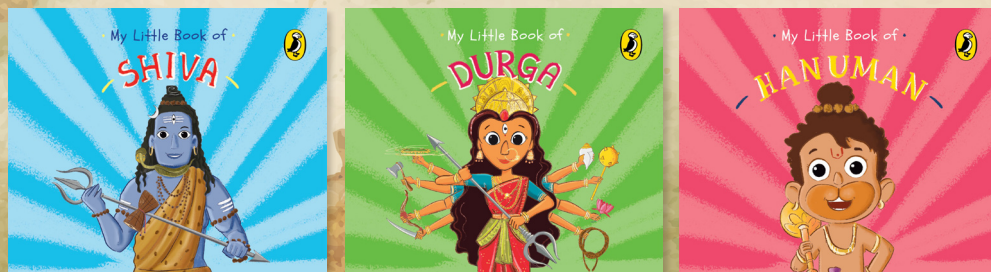
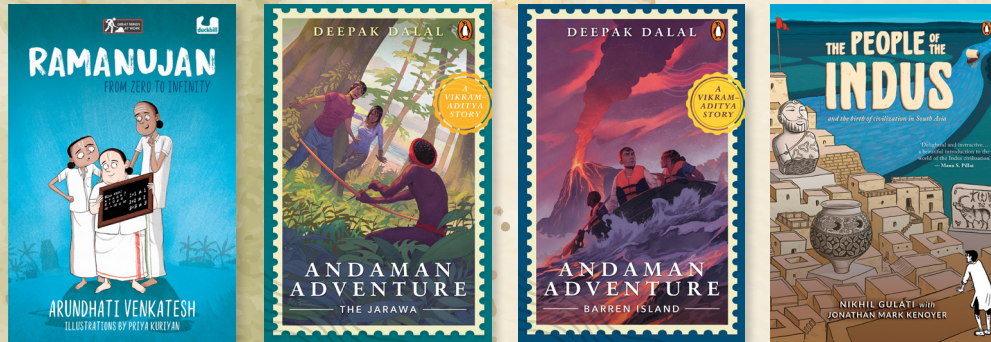
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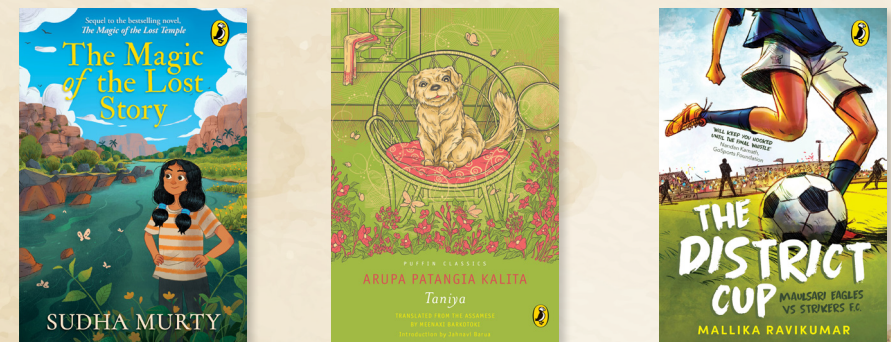
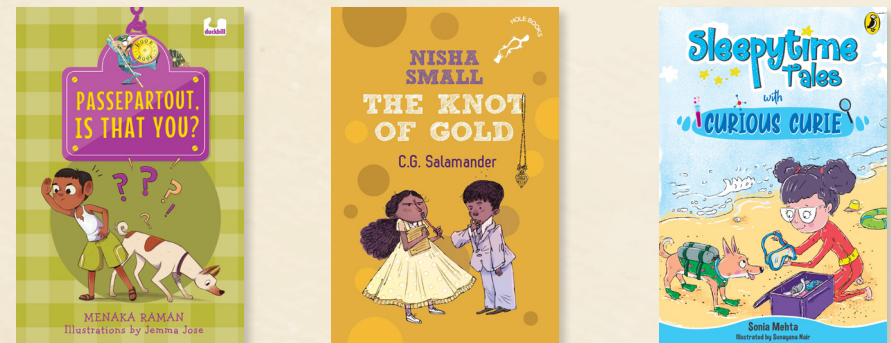


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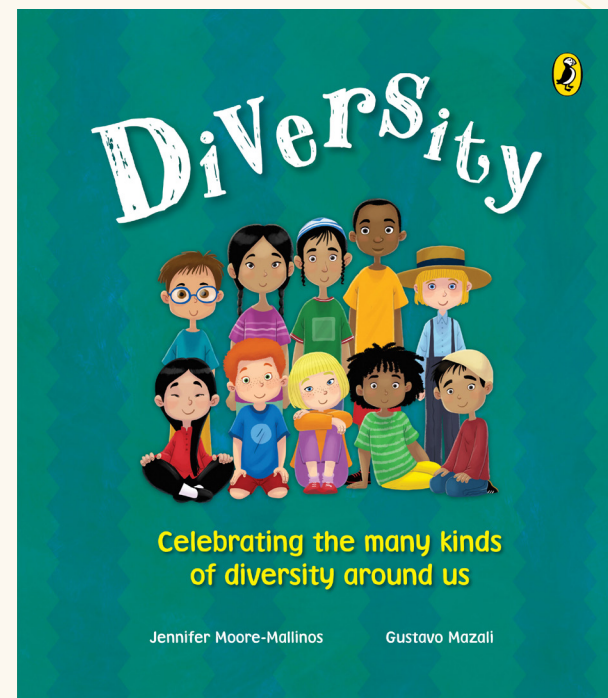
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PUFFIN



IMPRINT Puffin

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GENRE Non-fiction

TERRITORY Indian Subcontinent

JENNIFER MOORE-MALLINOS writes non-fiction children's books that focus on family situations, life skills, developmental disorders and everyday situations. Jennifer's books are published in several countries and languages, and are available all around the world!

GUSTAVO MAZALI drew the comic strips for the characters Cybersix and Irish Coffee, created by Carlos Trillo and Carlos Meglia. In 1998, he embarked on illustrating school textbooks and children's literature.

Diversity

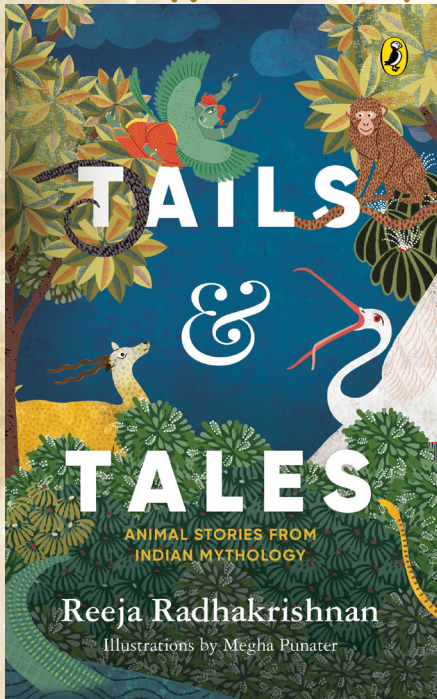
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**Can you imagine a world where everybody and everything is the same?
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Young Readers and Middle Grade

Ages 8+



IMPRINT Puffin
 FORMAT Demy/PB
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 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

REEJA RADHAKRISHNAN is a columnist who writes for children on environment, wildlife, conservation, heritage and mythology.

Tails and Tales REEJA RADHAKRISHNAN

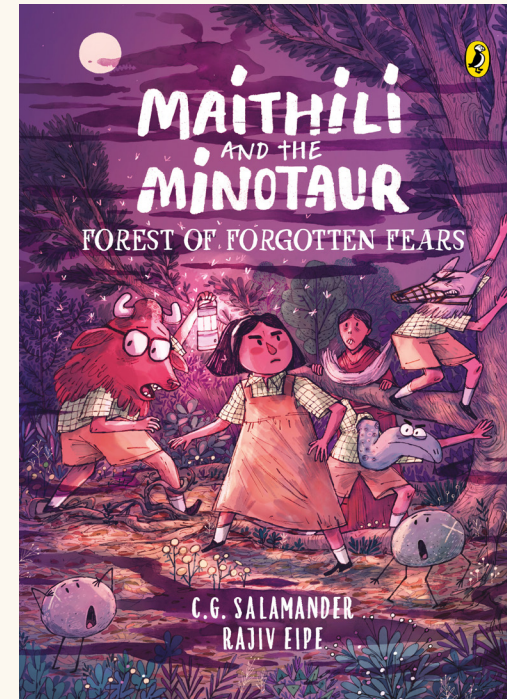
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Ages 10+



IMPRINT Puffin
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 GENRE Graphic novel
 TERRITORY Indian Subcontinent and SEA



In the same series

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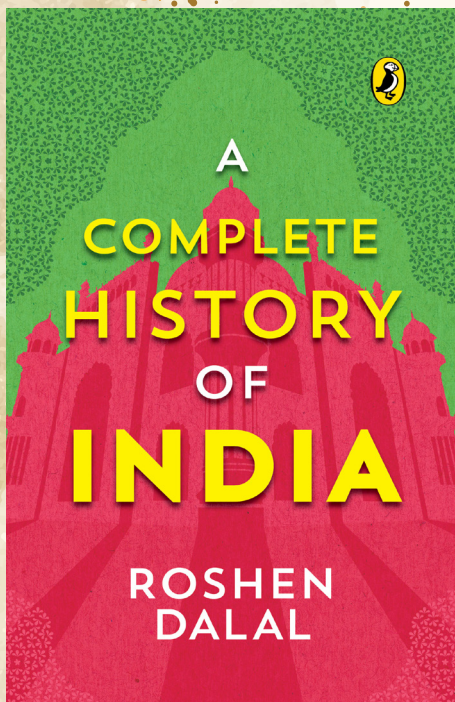
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Ages 10+



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 GENRE Non-fiction
 TERRITORY World

ROSHEN DALAL is well-known for her bestselling Puffin History of India and Puffin History of the World, both in two volumes, as well as India at 70: Snapshots since Independence. Apart from books, she has written numerous articles and book reviews.

The Complete History of India

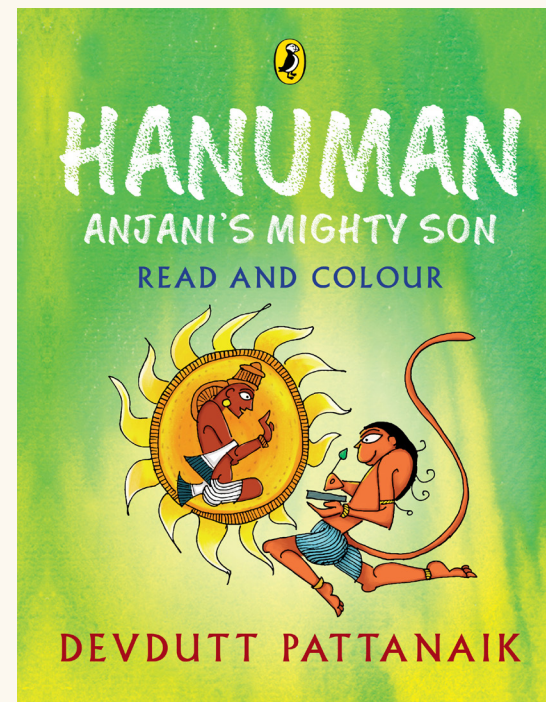
ROSHEN DALAL

The One-Stop Introduction to Understanding Indian History

This book traces the captivating story of Indian history, from the earliest times to the present. It covers all key historical milestones—the advent of the first people, the rise and fall of the Harappan civilization, ancient and medieval dynasties, the British regime, the Indian resistance from the Revolt of 1857 to independence, and the nation's progress as a thriving democracy, from 1947 till the present day.

Going beyond a mere chronological retelling, this well-researched book provides fascinating anecdotes and trivia along with rich illustrations and maps, to make history engaging for young learners.

Ages 6+



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 PRICE ₹299
 ISBN 9780143460794
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY Indian Subcontinent

DEVDU TT PATTANA I K is the author of over fifty books and 1000 articles on the relevance of mythology in modern times.

Hanuman: Anjani's Mighty Son

(Read and Colour)

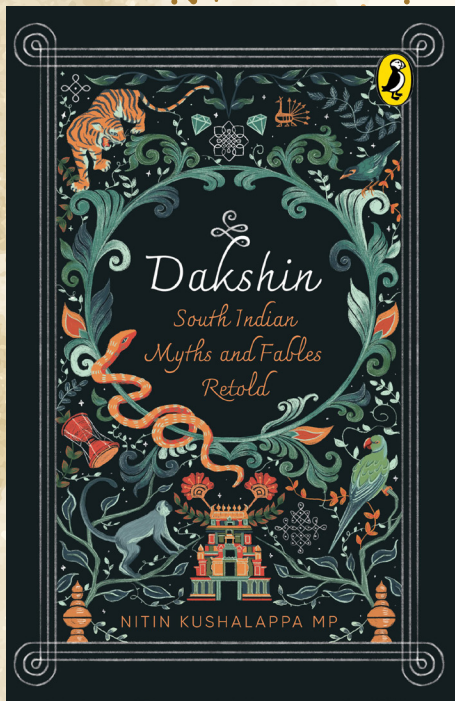
DEVDU TT PATTANA I K

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Devdutt Pattanaik introduces the story of Hanuman to a new generation of readers. Told simply in his inimitable style, this book is perfect as a read-aloud to acquaint young readers with the mighty Hanuman.

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Ages 9+



IMPRINT Puffin
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 PAGE EXTENT 256/b&w illustrations
 PRICE ₹299
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 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

NITIN KUSHALAPPA MP is passionate about preserving the cultural heritage of the Deccan. He is also a researcher for the Kodava Virtual Museum and has authored seven books.

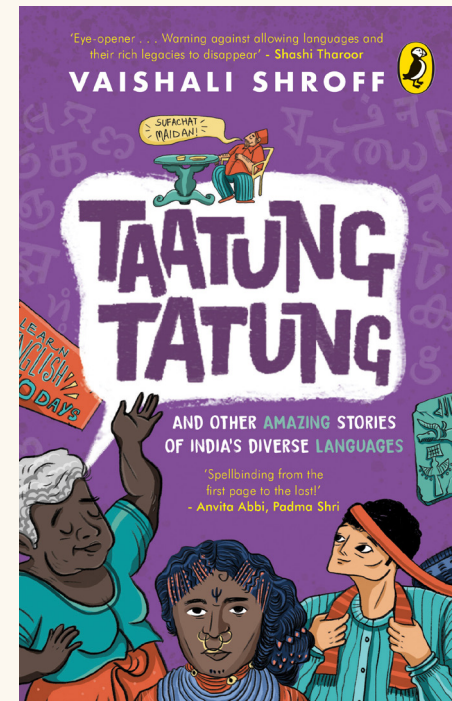
Dakshin: South Indian Myths and Fables Retold

NITIN KUSHALAPPA MP

From an elf king to a curious ogre. From a champion fighter to a giant kangaroo—explore the culturally-rich Deccan and South India!

Dive into this treasure trove of fifteen fantastic folktales, myths and fables from the vibrant Southern India. Travel down the banks of the Kaveri to the shores of the Indian Ocean; from the depths of mysterious jungles to towering mountains; from the lavish abode of kings to quiet villages in Coorg; and finally, meet the helpful gods and generous goddesses on the way!

Ages 12+



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 FORMAT B/PB
 PAGE EXTENT 184/b&w illustrations
 PRICE ₹299
 ISBN 9780143454663
 GENRE Non-fiction
 TERRITORY World

VAISHALI SHROFF is an award-winning children's author and columnist based in Mumbai.

Taatung Tatung and Other Amazing Stories of India's Diverse Languages

VAISHALI SHROFF

Every language has a story to tell!

Languages make us human. The ability to communicate with each other and be understood through songs, art, words, inscriptions, or even gestures is our key to surviving in this world where we, as a species, cannot live in isolation. And each one of these thousands of languages has its own journey. The stories in this book take you from the northeastern-most tip of our country to the forests in central India, from indigenous languages that are thousands of years old to those that have developed recently.



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 FORMAT B/PB
 PAGE EXTENT 44/full color
 PRICE ₹199
 ISBN 9780143458944
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY Indian Subcontinent

ANAND NEELAKANTAN is a bestselling author of many a book, including the Bahubali series, Asura, Ajaya, Rise of Kali and Vanara. His first children's book The Very, Extremely, Most Naughty Asura Tales for Kids was well-loved by readers of all ages.

The Tale of the Naughty Flying Mountains

ANAND NEELAKANTAN

The bestselling mythologist divulges the secret of when mountains had wings!

It might sound ridiculous, but did you know there was a time when mountains and hills had wings? It is true! Himavan, the lord of the mountains, indeed had glorious wings under his grand snowy cloak! But thanks to the mischief maker Narada, chaos ensued and the rest well... went downhill! Narayana! Narayana!

The bestselling mythology author enters the children's chapter book landscape with his humour-packed series that is sure to have you rolling down the hill with laughter!



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 FORMAT 6x 9 inches/PB
 PAGE EXTENT 80/full colour
 PRICE ₹250
 ISBN 9780143455431
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

SONIA MEHTA, co-founder and chief creative officer of Quadrum Solutions, has been creating content for children for the last two decades.

Sleepytime Tales with Coco Comma

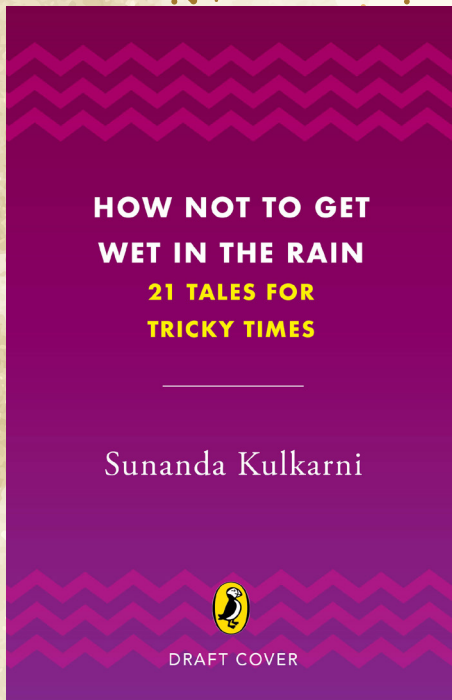
SONIA MEHTA

Meet Coco Comma for gallons of glee and a dash of English

It's bedtime! Time to settle down, get cosy and read some stories—with magical moments, oodles of entertainment and a little bit of learning.

Coco Comma is an English ace, who keeps correcting everyone's speech. Her nose is often buried in a book, making her bump into people, walk over picnic mats, overturn lemonade jars, and bang into doors. Come along with Coco and her best friend Sunny as they create ridiculous rhymes, alliterate long sentences, find out what idioms really mean, and encounter a magic alphabet tree!

Ages 8+



IMPRINT Puffin

FORMAT B/PB

PAGE EXTENT 152/B&W

PRICE ₹250

ISBN 9780143455899

GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

SUNANDA KULKARNI is a celebrated doctor who has won several awards for her contribution to women's health and her humanitarian work. She has published widely in Kannada. This is her first collection of stories in English.

How Not to Get Wet in the Rain: 21 Tales for Tricky Times

SUNANDA KULKARNI

What do you do when you are in a tricky situation or face a problem that can't be solved? Read this book, of course!

Do you know the trick to remaining dry when it rains? Or how to turn brass into diamonds? Or simply divide five oranges equally among seven children? Perhaps, even make plain rice and salt taste more delicious than payasa? These simple tales of wisdom from India show us how any problem, however bizarre or impossible, can be solved with some good old-fashioned common sense and gentle wit.

Young Adult

Ages 13+



IMPRINT Penguin
FORMAT 215 x 150 mm/PB
PAGE EXTENT 104/full colour
PRICE ₹299
ISBN 9780143452706
GENRE Fiction
TERRITORY World

DEBSMITA DASGUPTA is an internationally published, Kirkus Best Prize nominated illustrator, graphic novelist, and a screenwriter.

Terminal 3: A Graphic Novel

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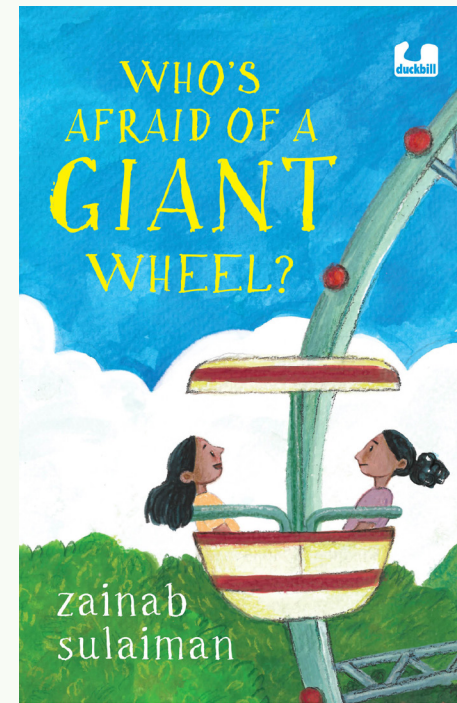
A story of love and hope in the Valley.

It's August 2019 and Khwab Nazir is waiting to board the plane at Terminal 3 of New Delhi International Airport. Set to represent India at an international jiu-jitsu tournament, Khwab nervously looks towards her unknown future. She also reflects on her complicated past—of growing up against the insurmountable difficulties of life in Kashmir.

Terminal 3 is an incredible portrayal of the life of common Kashmiri people striving to live their dreams, build their lives, despite the political conflict and turmoil in the Valley.



DUCKBILL



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 PAGE EXTENT 136
 PRICE ₹250
 ISBN 9780143458081
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

ZAINAB SULAIMAN considers her faith and family to be most important to her. Simply Nanju was her first book for children. She likes to walk, drink sickly-sweet tea, and indulge in friendly debates with her kids, most of which she loses.

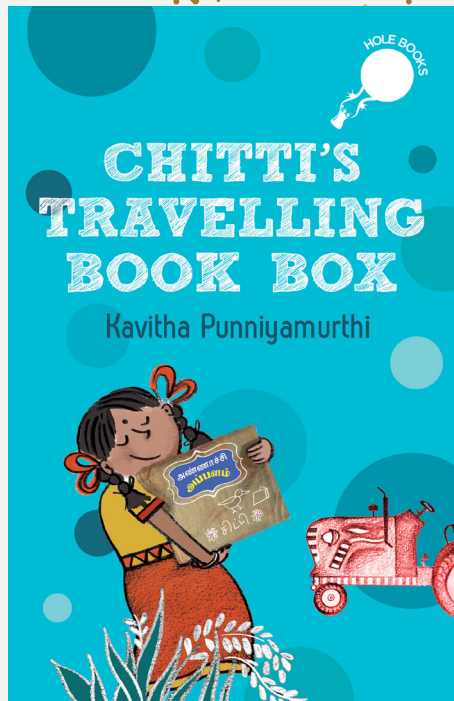
Who's Afraid of a Giant Wheel?

ZAINAB SULAIMAN

At school, Noorie is sassy. She does not listen to her teachers and bosses over her schoolmates. At home, Noorie is a slave to her neighbour and friend, Tina. Whatever Tina wants, Noorie does.

Tina's friendship helps Noorie ignore the fact that her marks are bad, her teachers don't seem to like her and that her father and mother are not getting along any more. Yet when everything falls apart, and even Tina rejects her, who will Noorie turn to?

Young Readers and Middle Grade



IMPRINT Duckbill
 FORMAT B/PB
 PAGE EXTENT 80/b&w illustrations
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 ISBN 9780143458401
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

KAVITHA PUNNIYAMURTHI is an award-winning children's writer and editor.

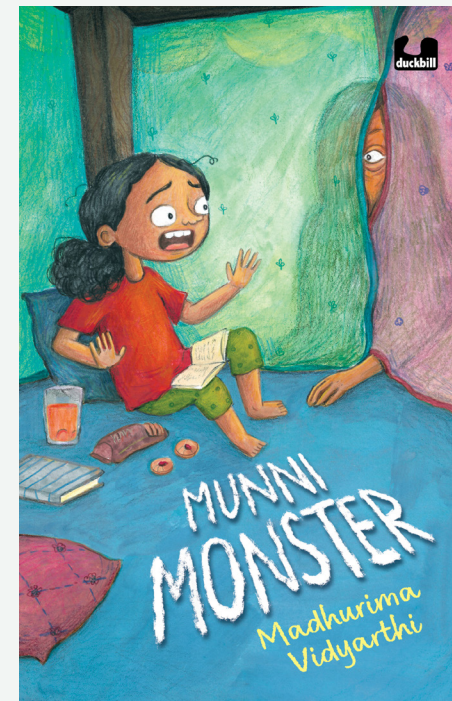
NIVEDITHA SUBRAMANIAM cherishes every opportunity to celebrate her abiding love for visuals, which almost always inspires her work—particularly picture books, and wordless and graphic narratives.

Chitti's Travelling Book Box

KAVITHA PUNNIYAMURTHI

Chitti loves reading. But there are just not enough books in her village and some of her friends think they are boring! Can Chitti make them change their minds?

Recognizable by the hOle at the top corner of each book, these chapter books are aimed at kids learning to read independently. They are full of fun stories, gorgeous illustrations and hOles.



IMPRINT Duckbill
 FORMAT B/PB
 PAGE EXTENT 120/b&w illustrations
 PRICE ₹250
 ISBN 9780143459910
 GENRE Fiction
 TERRITORY World

MADHURIMA VIDYARTHI is an endocrinologist who always wanted to be a writer. My Grandmother's Masterpiece is her first book.

TANVI BHAT is a children's book illustrator and author who has created books for publishers like Pratham Books, Duckbill and Tulika Books, to name a few.

Munni Monster

MADHURIMA VIDYARTHI

'She was angry too, angry inside; about this unknown person who was being suddenly forced into her perfect life. That she would have to give up her room—her bed!—and share Thamma with this-this . . .'

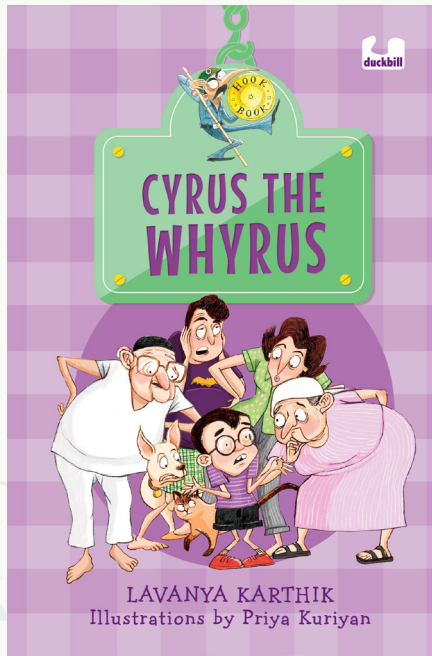
Mishti's life changes when her grandmother's cousin, Munni, who has cerebral palsy, comes to live with them. Her only thought is to make her leave, somehow.

But as time goes by, Munni shows strange endearing habits and when matters come to a crisis, Mishti is no longer sure that Munni is really the monster she thought she was.

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FORMAT B/PB

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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

LAVANYA KARTHIK is an author by day, a cookie monster by teatime and fast asleep by nine every night. She lives in Mumbai, where she writes, draws, eats a lot of chocolate and takes a lot of naps.

PRIYA KURIYAN is a children's book author and illustrator and comics maker based in Bangalore.

Cyrus the Whyrus

LAVANYA KARTHIK
ILLUSTRATIONS BY PRIYA KURIYAN

Whatever Cyrus sees or hears, he asks 'Why?'
Can he be stopped? Should he be stopped? Why?



In the same series



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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

ASHA NEHEMIAH writes books for children where wonderfully funny characters get into crazy adventures.

CHETAN SHARMA is an award-winning animator and co-founder and director of Animagic, India's most reputed independent animation studio focusing on original contents.

Wet Paint

ASHA NEHEMIAH
ILLUSTRATION BY CHETAN SHARMA

Aman is to paint a mural on the new hospital when disaster strikes. Can he and Paru save the day? Will the townsfolk get the mural of their dreams?

Young Adult



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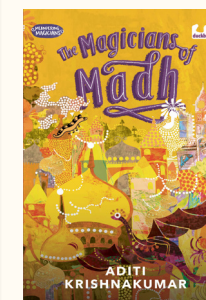
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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World



In the same series

As a child, **ADITI KRISHNAKUMAR** greatly enjoyed sports and once outswam a porpoise. She later had a chequered career that included working as a pet food taster. In her downtime, she enjoys long-distance running and partying with her friends on Friday nights. Just kidding. It's all fiction, just like her books.

Miracles for the Maharaja

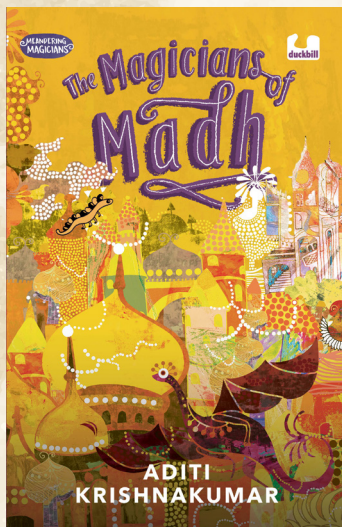
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Something strange is afoot in the kingdom of Pür . . . The most favoured suitor at Princess Vasundhara's swayamvara has disappeared . . . A reclusive sorceress has emerged from the Eastern Isles . . . The Inter-Realm Ambassador is furious . . . A long-lost stone with dark powers must be found . . . The Sprites are preparing for rebellion . . .

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Murder in Melucha

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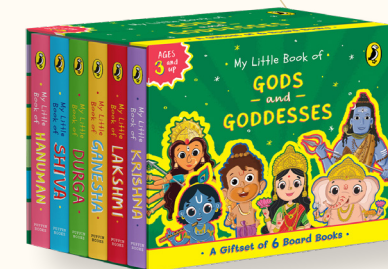
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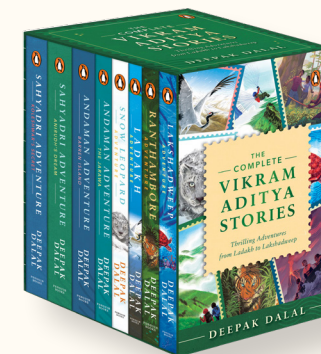
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