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Junior

Blade, Adam. <u>Arcta the mountain giant.</u> Tom must free the magical beasts of Avantia from an evil spell. Armed with a sword and shield from the Wizard Aduro, Tom sets off to face Arcta the mountain giant. Can Tom save his land from destruction? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. **J BLA**

Blade, Adam. **Epos the flame bird.** An evil wizard is using Avantia's magical Beasts to destroy the land. Epos the flame bird is said to be the most terrifying of the Beasts - can Tom free her from her enchantment and save Avantia? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. **J BLA**

Blade, Adam. <u>Ferno the fire dragon.</u> Strange things are happening in Tom's village and he vows to go to the king and bring help. But he soon learns that his village is not the only one in danger and Tom is sent on the greatest quest of all -- the Beast Quest. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. **J BLA**

Blade, Adam. Nanook the snow monster. The magical Beasts of Avantia are under the power of an evil wizard. Tom journeys to the wilds of the frozen north, searching for Nanook the Snow Monster. Can he survive the snow and ice, and set the beast free? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. J BLA

Blade, Adam. <u>Sepron the sea serpent.</u> When Sepron the Sea Serpent promises to bring floods, starvation, and fear to the people of Avantia's coast, Tom and Elenna must figure out a way to stop the terrifying beast. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. J BLA

Blade, Adam. <u>Tagus the horse-man.</u> Avantia needs a hero. Under the power of an evil wizard, the magical beasts that once protected the land are now destroying it. Tagus the horse-man is terrorising the people and animals in the plains - can Tom stop him? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, 2015. **J BLA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Abigail the breeze fairy.</u> Abigail the breeze fairy has been blown off-course without her wispy wind feather. Will Rachel and Kirsty be able to find the feather and bring calm to the blustery village? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Amy the amethyst fairy.</u> After Jack Frost steals the magic jewels in the queen of Fairyland's crown and tosses them into the human world, two young girls help Amy the Amethyst Fairy recover her jewel, which has the power to make things disappear. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Chloe the topaz fairy.</u> After Jack Frost steals the seven jewels from Queen Titania's crown, Chloe needs to recover the magic topaz quickly so that she can change girls back to fairies and goblins back to teddy bears. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Crystal the snow fairy.</u> Crystal the snow fairy must find her magical feather in order to stop snow from falling in summer. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Emily the emerald fairy.</u> Rachel and Kirsty must retrieve the magic emerald which Jack Frost has stolen so that Emily, the emerald fairy. can see the future. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. Evie the mist fairy. Evie, the mist fairy might have caused Wetherbury to get all fogged up by losing her feather, and the weather fairies must bring back the good weather. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. J MEA

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Francesca the football fairy.</u> Rachel And Kirsty are helping the Sporty Fairies rescue their magic items from the goblins - without them the Fairyland Olympics will be ruined! Now Francesca needs their help to get her magic football back. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2017. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Gemma the gymnastics fairy.</u> Jack Frost has stolen a fairy's magic hoop and neither the human Olympics or the Fairy Olympics can go ahead smoothly without it! London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Goldie the sunshine fairy.</u> Goldie the Sunshine Fairy is all hot and bothered without her shimmery sunshine feather. Can Rachel and Kirsty seek it out and put a stop to a sticky situation? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Hayley the rain fairy.</u> Rachel and Kirsty must find the feather that belongs to Hayley the rain fairy in order to stop a flood. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Helena the horseriding fairy.</u> Fairyland is preparing for the Fairy Olympics. Jack Frost is determined to win, even if it means cheating! London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2017. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>India the moonstone fairy.</u> Rachel and Kirsty must retrieve the magic moonstone which Jack Frost has stolen so that India, the moonstone fairy can prevent nightmares. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Lucy the diamond fairy.</u> The magic diamond is missing, and none of the fairies can fly! Can Rachel and Kristy help Lucy the diamond fairy save the day? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Naomi the netball fairy.</u> It's Kirsty and Rachel's half-term holiday, and the Sporty Fairies need the girls to help foil Jack Frost's plan to win the Fairyland Olympics by cheating. But where is Naomi's magic netball? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2015. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Pearl the cloud fairy.</u> When everyone in Wetherbury becomes gloomy, Rachel and Kirsty think the cloud feather might be to blame. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Samantha the swimming fairy.</u> Goblins have stolen a fairy's magic goggles which makes it difficult to swim for everyone everywhere! How can her human friends help? London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2017. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Scarlett the garnet fairy.</u> After Jack Frost steals the seven jewels from Queen Titania's crown, Scarlett needs to recover the magic garnet quickly to make things the right size again. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Sophie the sapphire fairy.</u> When Jack Frost steals the seven jewels in Queen Titania's crown, Rachel and Kirsty vow to help Sophie the sapphire fairy get her jewel back so that she can make wishes come true. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. <u>Storm the lightning fairy.</u> Storm the lightning fairy can't stop the sky from fizzing without her glittery lightning feather. Rachel and Kirsty must lend a hand before a loose lightning bolt causes terrible trouble. London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2016. **J MEA**

Meadows, Daisy. **Zoe the skating fairy.** A fairy's magic shoelace prevents skaters from having troubles until a goblin steals it! London: Orchard Books, an imprint of Hachette Children's Group, part of The Watts Publishing Group Limited, 2017. **J MEA**

NON-FICTION

Amstutz, Lisa J. <u>10 ways to use less energy</u>. Do you have any idea how much energy you waste a year? Help save energy, money, and the environment all at the same time with these 10 simple steps and added hands-on activity. Find out what tips work for you and spread the word. Together, we can make a difference! North Mankato, Minnesota: Pebble, a Capstone imprint, [2024] **333.79** A

Amstutz, Lisa J. <u>10 ways to use less water</u>. Help save water, money, and energy with these 10 simple steps and a hands-on activity. Find out what tips work for you and spread the word. North Mankato, Minnesota: Pebble, a Capstone imprint, [2024] **333.91** A

Bayly, Sami. <u>A curious collection of wild companions: an illustrated encyclopedia of inseparable species</u>. "Fascinating illustrated facts about 60 cross-species pairs-from sloth and

"sloth moth" to kinkajou and balsa tree"-- Provided by publisher. New York : The Experiment, 2022. **577.85 B**

Blasing, George. <u>Dinosaur encyclopedia for kids: the big book of prehistoric creatures</u>. This book gives kids an exciting glimpse into the age of dinosaurs with awe-inspiring facts about how they lived, what they looked like, and more. Emeryville, California: Rockridge Press, [2021] **567.903 B**

Bolte, Mari. <u>The birthplace of stars</u>. "Explores how the James Webb Space Telescope has allowed scientists to study stars and the dense clouds of space dust where they are born"--Provided by publisher. Ann Arbor, Michigan: Cherry Lake Press, [2023] **523.1135** B

Boone, Mary. <u>10 ways to help use less plastic</u>. "Did you know that most plastic goes to landfills instead of recycling plants? Use these 10 simple steps and added hands-on activity to reduce your plastic use and waste. Find out what tips work for you and spread the word. Together, we can make a difference!"-- Provided by publisher. North Mankato, Minnesota: Pebble, an imprint of Capstone, [2024] **668.4 B**

Chakanetsa, Kim. <u>Africana: an encyclopedia of an amazing continent</u>. Explore the deep history of Africa's 54 unique countries, from being the birthplace of humanity and the rise of its powerful kingdoms, to the devastating impact of its colonial past. Then join us to celebrate Africa's awe-inspiring nature, its vibrant food, festivals and customs. Visit its bustling cities and meet the pioneers, musicians, artists, and innovators who call this land home. Beverly, Massachusetts: Wide Eye Editions, [2022] **960** C

<u>Children's book of music.</u> Discover the power of music and be inspired by cultures from all over the world. You'll find out how instruments are made and played and learn about the fascinating lives and achievements of great composers and musicians, from Bach to Bowie, Bjork, and Beyonce. The book is packed with facts and photos highlighting musical styles from around the globe, from the very earliest music through classical and blues, via reggae, Afropop, hip-hop, and dance. London: DK, 2023. **780.9** C

Crumpton, Nick. Everything you know about dinosaurs is wrong! "From fossilized feathers to long-necked look-alikes, this ingenious book is packed with so many amazing dinosaur discoveries, you'll soon become a paleontology pro. Including jaw-dropping research that will debunk many myths about all kinds of prehistoric creatures--you'll never look at a pigeon the same way again!"-- Amazon.com. Lincoln, MA: Nosy Crow Inc., 2023. 567.9 C

Dickmann, Nancy. Mt. Vesuvius erupts!: Pompeii, 79 CE. "Ash rained down like burning snowflakes. There was nowhere to run and hide for the residents of Pompeii after Mt. Vesuvius erupted in 79 CE. Follow along with the true story of a doomed city pummeled with pumice and molten rock. Then, review what you've learned with a recap timeline and a quick quiz to check how much doomed history you remember"-- Provided by publisher. Minneapolis, Minnesota: Bearport Publishing, [2023] 937.72 D

Dinwiddie, Robert. <u>How to be good at science, technology & engineering.</u> Provides a visual introduction to science, technology, and engineering, covering such topics as the human body,

states of matter, electric circuits, speed and acceleration, and the solar system. New York, NY: DK, 2018. **500 D**

Doeden, Matt. <u>Travel to Madagascar.</u> Madagascar is known for its vast plant and animal life, but what else should you know about the country? Learn some amazing facts and discover Madagascar's history, culture, geography, and more in this book Minneapolis: Lerner Publications, [2024] **969.1 D**

Eales, Philip. <u>The science of the earth: the secrets of our planet revealed.</u> This breathtakingly beautiful book reveals the unique wonders of our planet, from core to atmosphere. Illustrated with detailed images of fascinating objects-- from colourful crystals to ancient fossils-- along with awe-inspiring landscape photography, it brings to life the story of Earth's past and the dynamic processes that shape its present. New York, NY: DK Publishing, 2022. **550** E

Garcia, Merriam. <u>The genius kid's guide to dogs</u>. This guide covers 150 popular dog breeds from all seven of the American Kennel Club's breed groups. Mendota Heights: North Star Kids, 2022. **636.71** G

Gendreau, Kathy. Science magic tricks for kids: 50 amazing experiments that explode, change color, glow, and more! Amaze family and friends with these 50 science experiments designed to work as magic tricks! Young magicians will thrill to these age-appropriate tricks and gain confidence in their scientific knowledge and abilities at the same time. New York: Z Kids, [2023] 507.8 G

Gercke, Daniel. <u>Cook it!: the Dr. Seuss cookbook for kid chefs: 50+ fun and yummy recipes!</u> "A cookbook featuring simple, healthy recipes inspired by the works of Dr. Seuss, written for children and adults to use together"-- Provided by publisher. New York: Random House, [2022] **641.5** G

Gieseke, Tyler. <u>Ancient Egypt</u>. This title lays out how and why Egyptians made mummies and gives some famous mummies as examples. Clear text and vibrant photos grab and hold readers' interest, and QR Codes in each chapter link to book-specific videos, activities, and more. Minneapolis, Minnesota: DiscoverRoo, an imprint of Pop!, [2022] **932** G

Gray, Susan Heinrichs. Rosy wolf snails invade Pacific Islands. "The rosy wolf snail was imported to help control the population of the African land snail, but the cannibal snail has quickly become a problem. This series highlights the innovative technology scientists use to track and control this invasive population. Engaging inquiry-based sidebars encourage young readers to think, create, guess, and ask questions. Book includes a table of contents, glossary, index, author biography, and sidebars"-- Provided by publisher. Ann Arbor, Michigan: Cherry Lake Publishing Group, [2022] 594.38 G

Hart, Christopher. The master guide to drawing cartoons: how to draw amazing characters from simple templates. "Many aspiring artists want to create original characters. That's the fun of cartooning. But character design lessons can be challenging. This beginner's guide to character design shows cartoonists how to make small adjustments to basic forms and shapes in order to come up with unique characters they can call their own. The book focuses on six areas: head and body types, exaggeration, personality, proportions, poses, & costumes. Anyone who has wanted

to invent an original character but doesn't know where to start will find the answers in this complete and accessible instructional book chock full of clear step-by-step illustrations, expert instruction, and tons of helpful tips"-- Provided by publisher. New York, NY: Drawing with Christopher Hart, [2022] **741.51** H

Hibbs, Emily. Hilda's world: a guide to Trolberg, the wilderness, and beyond. Welcome to Trolberg! Whether you're a local searching for a new favourite haunt or a budding first-time visitor hoping to experience the spirit of the city, this guide is a must-read for all explorers of Trolberg, the wilderness, and beyond. Full of handy maps of must-visit locations, top tips for wilderness exploring, and Hilda's very own step-by-step guide to summoning water spirits, you'll soon uncover the charm of this ancient city, a place with history built into every beam and brick. London: Flying Eye Books, 2023. 791.4572 H

How everything works. Each page of this mind-blowingly detailed and ambitious encyclopedia will guide you through the natural world and the technology that surrounds you. Giant, page-filling illustrations take objects apart - or take the roofs and walls off buildings - to show you how they work, explaining both basic principles (such as photosynthesis) as well as broader concepts (like how all the living things in a rainforest interact). Chapters range from the human body to cities and industry, to planet Earth, taking in sleep patterns, cooking, sewage systems, wind farms, fungi spores, and plate tectonics along the way. New York, NY: DK, 2022. **500 H**

Kaner, Etta. <u>Beware the Burmese pythons and other invasive animal species</u>. "Meet ten invasive animal species, including killer shrimp, toxic cane toads and a surprisingly destructive moth, and discover the damage they did when they arrived in their new habitats. The planet needs your help! Find out why we need to protect our ecosystems; why humans are the real problem behind invasive species; how we can work together to restore balance. You (yes, you!) can help prevent the spread of invasive species!"--Jacket flap. Toronto, ON: Kids Can Press, [2022] **591.62 K**

Koestler-Grack, Rachel A. <u>Day of the dead</u>. Relevant images match informative text in this introduction to Day of the Dead. Intended for students in kindergarten through third grade. Minneapolis, MN: Bellwether Media, Inc., 2018. **394.266** K

Lamichhane, Priyanka. <u>Green transportation</u>. Learn how we can travel on the road, on the rails, on the water, and in the air without harming the environment. New York: Children's Press, an imprint of Scholastic Inc., 2024. **629.229** L

Latham, Andrew. Soccer smarts for teens: 50 skills and strategies to master the game. Up your game with advanced soccer strategies for players ages 12 to 16. Work your way through 50 different techniques and strategies you can implement right away--on your own or with your team--to help you take your game to the next level. Emeryville, California: Rockridge Press, [2021] 796.334 L

Loh-Hagan, Virginia. <u>Weird science. Movies</u>. Briefly explores a wide range of technical questions on how movies get made, from CGI and sound effects to stunt-doubles and 3D movies. Includes photographs and a glossary. Ann Arbor, Michigan: 45th Parallel Press, [2022] 777 L

Lynch, Dan R. <u>Fossils for kids: an introduction to paleontology.</u> Beginner's guide to paleontology. Includes how and where fossils form, types of fossils, and how to collect them legally. Cambridge, Minnesota: Adventure Publications, [2020] **560** L

Moon, Walt K. <u>Rockets and space travel</u>. "Describes rockets, including how they work, how they travel to space, how they return safely, and efforts to make reusable rockets"-- Provided by publisher. San Diego, CA: BrightPoint Press, [2023] **621.4356 M**

Moore, Arden. The cat behavior answer book: understanding how cats think, why they do what they do, and how to strengthen our relationships with them. In the revised 2nd edition of The Cat Behavior Answer Book, pet expert Arden Moore answers the many questions cat owners have, from the practical aspects of training, feeding, and caring to the puzzling aspects of behavior and communication. North Adams, MA: Storey Publishing, [2022] 636.8 M

Moore, Arden. The dog behavior answer book: understanding and communicating with your dog to build a strong and happy relationship. This completely updated 2nd edition, in a new, larger format, features the latest science and recommended techniques for training, caring for, and understanding dogs. North Adams, MA: Storey Publishing, [2022] 636.7 M

Parrott-Ryan, Maria. Mysterious glowing mammals: an unexpected discovery sparks a scientific investigation. Explores how ecologist Jonathan Martin accidentally discovered the existence of biofluorescence in mammals. Explains the science behind how it works and describes different mammals that are biofluorescent, including flying squirrels and hares. Includes photographs, diagrams, sidebars, and a glossary. Minneapolis: Millbrook Press, [2024] 599 P

Pokémon scarlet & Pokémon violet handbook: stats and facts on 400 Pokémon in the Paldea region! Meet Pokémon of the brand-new Paldea region featured in the new Scarlet and Violet video games! You'll discover stats and facts about the new first partners Sprigatito, Fuecoco, and Quaxly, as well as classic favourites like Pikachu. New York, NY: Scholastic Inc., [2023] 794.8 P

Ridge, Yolanda. Evolution under pressure: how we change nature and how nature changes <u>us</u>. Profiles of young activists and innovators highlight the ways readers can contribute to restoring ecological balance. Toronto: Annick Press, [2023] **304.2** R

Rozman, Levy. <u>How to win at chess: the ultimate guide for beginners and beyond.</u> Learn chess from International Master and YouTube's top chess teacher Levy Rozman (aka GothamChess) in this refreshing and fun guide for beginner and intermediate players. Emeryville: Ten Speed Press, 2023. **794.1 R**

Sekaninová, Štěpánka. <u>The origins of sports.</u> From the prehistory until today, this book provides young readers with a comprehensive overview of the most popular sports disciplines. Find out where the idea of a goal came from, and what the origin of the ball is. How did the first tennis racket look like? And did you know that hockey was played in Ancient Egypt? A lot of new information as well as fun facts from the world of sports is awaiting you on these pages. Prague, Czech Republic: Albatros Media, 2023. **796.09 S**

Sequeira, Eldrid. 3D printing and maker lab for kids: create amazing projects with CAD design and STEAM ideas. 3D printing and maker lab for kids presents hands-on activities for learning how to use browser-based software TinkerCAD and SketchUp to design and print projects, along with informative sidebars to support related STEAM concepts. Beverly, MA: Quarry Books, an imprint of The Quarto Group, 2020. 523.2/T

Smith, Roland. They are here!: how invasive species are spoiling our ecosystems. All over the United States, non-native species from around the world have been introduced to our lands, irrevocably changing the natural balances of their new habitats. This is the story of some of those newcomers, but also of human error and nature gone wild. New York: Godwin Books/Henry Hold and Company, 2023. 333.95 S

Tolosa Sisteré, Mariona. The secret life of viruses: incredible science facts about germs, vaccines, and what you can do to stay healthy. Young readers will learn about how viruses spread, how our bodies fight them, the history of viruses in the world, and much more. By teaching readers about the science behind this timely topic and offering context for practices like social distancing and mask-wearing, this book will help ease kids' fears and empower them to take steps to keep themselves and others healthy. Naperville, Illinois: Sourcebooks eXplore, 2021. 616.91 T

<u>Understanding pandemics and epidemics.</u> "The massive global impacts of COVID-19 made the issue of pandemics and epidemics a major concern among the public, politicians, doctors, and scientific researchers. However, it is far from the first pandemic, and experts suggest that it almost certainly will not be the last. The articles in this volume consider past pandemics and epidemics to explain how certain diseases are able to spread on such a massive scale. They explain the medical advancements that have helped prevent some diseases from having the devastating impacts they did in the past while also considering why some infections are more difficult to control. Writers and experts also offer predictions on the types of pandemics and epidemics that may occur in the future and what can potentially be done to stop them"-- Provided by publisher. New York: Scientific American Educational Publishing, 2024. **614.4973** U

Ward, Alexa. Sewing for kids: 30 fun projects to hand and machine sew. Get crafty with super fun sewing projects for kids. Packed with beginner techniques for hand and machine sewing, this book takes you stitch-by-stitch from threading a needle to making your own fingerless gloves. Get started with the ins and outs of hand-sewing, like how to tie a knot or sew a whipstitch, and before you know it, you'll be sewing on a sewing machine! Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] 646.2 W

Williams, Heather DiLorenzo. <u>Pure planet: a look at air and water quality</u>. "Learn about the issues facing our world due to smog, oil spills, garbage dumping, and other environmental issues. Explore the things being done to solve the problem and how real kids are stepping up to make a difference. Includes a glossary, index, environmental awareness activities, and list of sources for further reading"-- Provided by publisher. [Chicago, IL]: Norwood House Press, [2023] **363.7** W

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Algorta, Alejandra. <u>Neverforgotten.</u> Fabio flies through the streets of Bogotá on his bicycle, the children of his neighbourhood trailing behind him. It is there that life feels right--where the

world of adults, and their lies, fades away. But then one day, he simply forgets. Forgets how to ride his bicycle. And Fabio will never be the same again. Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] PL I ALG

Bacon, Lee. <u>Imaginary.</u> Zach's eleven, long past the days when kids are supposed to go on epic adventures with their imaginary friends. But after the death of his father five years ago, all Zach has wanted is an escape from the real world. So Zach still makes regular visits to a fantasy world with his imaginary friend, Shovel. But is Zach's overactive imagination helping him deal with loss or just pushing people away? Imaginary is the story of a boy and his imaginary friend-told as only an imaginary friend could. Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] **PL I BAC**

Bar-el, Dan. <u>The very, very far north.</u> An inquisitive polar bear named Duane befriends an array of animals as he discovers where he belong. Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] **PL I BAR**

Cartaya, Pablo. <u>Each tiny spark.</u> Sixth-grader Emilia Torres struggles with ADHD, her controlling abuela, her mother's work commitments, her father's distance after returning from deployment, evolving friendships, and a conflict over school redistricting. Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2019] **PL I CAR**

Connor, Leslie. <u>Anybody here seen Frenchie?</u> "Eleven-year-old Aurora Petrequin's best friend has never spoken a word to her. In fact, Frenchie Livernois doesn't talk. Aurora is bouncy, loud, and impulsive-a big old blurter. Making friends has never come easy for her. When Frenchie, who is autistic, silently chose Aurora as his person back in third grade, she was all in. In fact, she chose him back. They make a good team, sharing their love of the natural world in coastal Maine. In the woods, Aurora and Frenchie encounter a piebald deer, a rare creature with a coat like a patchwork quilt. The piebald is alluring and mysterious. Whenever it appears, Aurora feels compelled to follow. At school, Aurora looks out for Frenchie, who has been her classmate until this year. One morning, Frenchie doesn't make it to his classroom. Aurora feels she's to blame. The entire town begins to search, and everyone wonders: How is it possible that nobody has seen Frenchie? Or have they?"-- Provided by publisher. Solon, Ohio: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] **PLICON**

Playaway Launchpad

<u>Dynamic thinking module.</u> Topics in this module include problem-solving, logic and reasoning, decision-making, and critical thinking. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2023] PLL DYN

<u>Evaluation & calculation module.</u> Topics in this module include quantification, research, algebraic thinking, statistics, association, and measurement. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2023] PLL EVA

<u>Healthy living module.</u> Topics in this module include hygiene and routines, nutrition and exercise, mindfulness, and environmental awareness. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2023] PLL HEA

<u>Level 5: independent.</u> This 5-level guided reading system helps kids master verbal, reading, and writing skills -- starting at any level. Every app, storybook, and video has been hand-selected

to help kids gain the knowledge they need to transition from learning-to-read to reading-to-learn. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2023] PLL LEV

<u>Path B: math & science.</u> Teaches preschool-aged children how to identify numbers and count from 1-20, basic shapes and colours, and more. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] PLL PAT

<u>Path C: language & literacy.</u> Packs on the language and literacy path help children to build vocabulary, identify and recite letters, listen and follow directions, and develop an interest in stories. Solon, Ohio: Playaway Launchpad: Findaway World, LLC, [2022] PLL PAT