

Simon Sock

Bernard the Robot loses his bottom on the park swing, and sets off to find it. Every time he gets close, it disappears again! Bird was using it as a nest, but it was too heavy; Bear used it in his drum kit, but it was too tinny; the Squirrels built sandcastles with it...and now it looks as if they're sailing away in it. Will Bernard EVER get his bottom back? Praise for No-Bot, the Robot with No Bottom: 'Silly, funny, and very enjoyable to read!' The Bookbag 'Fabulously funny and wonderfully warm.' Liverpool Echo 'Guarantees lots of giggles - from children and adults!' Parents in Touch 'Fans of Barry, Norman and Keith will absolutely adore this new wonderfully eccentric new character.' Mumsnet 'The book is beautifully illustrated and the story is guaranteed to have you and your child laughing... I can't recommend any of the Sue Hendra books highly enough, seriously if you've never read any of her books then you MUST!' Knees Up Mother Brown

This book is about your heart. (the little bit inside of you that makes you, you!) The words we listen to can affect how we feel. Some words can do amazing things and make us happy. And some words can really hurt us (we all know what sort of words those are). Our words have power, and we can choose to use them to make the world a better place. Simple, direct, and emotive, Words and Your Heart's message is that words have extraordinary power—to harm and to heal; to create and to destroy; and to spread love.

Chico Bon Bon: Monkey with a Tool Belt is the preschool show now streaming on Netflix! Come along to meet Chico Bon Bon and the Fix-it Force as they fix problems with mechanical knowledge and teamwork. It's a sock-mergency! Chico Bon Bon is missing his lucky pair of socks. The Fix-it Force travels to Sock Mountain, a massive pile of lost socks. The Fix-it Force will need to devise a way to sort through all the socks to find Chico's lucky pair! © 2020 Monkey WTB Limited, a Silvergate Media company, All Rights Reserved

A rollicking, rhyming read-aloud that will knock your socks off! Warm-up, wiggle, stretch your beak. Duck Sock Hop comes once a week! The mood is high, the sun is low, the music starts, get ready, go! In this tongue-twisting, toe-tapping picture book, ducks grab socks from a big sock box and head on down to the duck sock hop. In socks with stripes and socks with spots, socks with squares and socks with dots, these brightly, boldly illustrated ducks dance until their socks go rip; and ducks teeter, tumble, twist, and trip. But not to worry; in this preschool-perfect read-aloud, when one sock hop ends, the countdown to the next one begins. So, prepare for a feel-good, giggle-inducing read.

When Sock the bobcat is too lazy to help clean up the Rainbowl after a storm, Plato tells the story of how the camel got his hump to illustrate the value of teamwork.

Where do all those missing socks go? Meet George, the loveable sock monster who finds himself unable to sleep one night, and hungry for some adventure. Join author Debbie Stoyanof for a rhythmic tale full of magical charm that will delight both children and adults alike. Read The Little Sock Monster, and discover where all those missing socks go!

James R. Hannibal presents a thrilling adventure through history, complete with mysteries, secret items, codes, and a touch of magic in this stunning middle grade debut. Thirteen-year-old Jack Buckles is great at finding things. Not just a missing glove or the other sock, but things normal people have long given up on ever seeing again. If only he could find his father, who has disappeared in London without a trace. But Jack's father was not who he claimed to be. It turns out that he was a member of a secret society of detectives that has served the crown for centuries—and membership into the Lost Property Office is Jack's inheritance. Now the only way Jack will ever see his father again is if he finds what the nefarious Clockmaker is after: the Ember, which holds a secret that has been kept since the Great Fire of London. Will Jack be able to find the Ember and save his father, or will his talent for finding things fall short?

NPR Great Read of 2016 From the acclaimed author of *Rip It Up and Start Again* and *Retromania*—“the foremost popular music critic of this era (*Times Literary Supplement*)—comes the definitive cultural history of glam and glitter rock, celebrating its outlandish fashion and outrageous stars, including David Bowie and Alice Cooper, and tracking its vibrant legacy in contemporary pop. Spearheaded by David Bowie, Alice Cooper, T. Rex, and Roxy Music, glam rock reveled in artifice and spectacle. Reacting against the hairy, denim-clad rock bands of the late Sixties, glam was the first true teenage rampage of the new decade. In *Shock and Awe*, Simon Reynolds takes you on a wild cultural tour through the early Seventies, a period packed with glitzy costumes and alien make-up, thrilling music and larger-than-life personas. *Shock and Awe* offers a fresh, in-depth look at the glam and glitter phenomenon, placing it in the wider Seventies context of social upheaval and political disillusion. It explores how artists like Lou Reed, New York Dolls, and Queen broke with the hippie generation, celebrating illusion and artifice over truth and authenticity. Probing the genre's major themes—stardom, androgyny, image, decadence, fandom, apocalypse—Reynolds tracks glam's legacy as it unfolded in subsequent decades, from Eighties art-pop icons like Kate Bush through to twenty-first century idols of outrage such as Lady Gaga. *Shock and Awe* shows how the original glam artists' obsessions with fame, extreme fashion, and theatrical excess continue to reverberate through contemporary pop culture.

Knitting buffs and crochet enthusiasts, stay cozy any time of the year with warm mittens and snuggly socks—made by you! In *Warm Mittens and Socks*, needlework queen Eva Trotzig shares her generous collection of tips, wisdom, and, of course, patterns that are perfect for crafting comfy knits for the whole family. Containing a colorful mix of styles, techniques, and projects, this is the perfect guide for hands trained in the basics of knitting and crocheting. Discover elaborate loops, delightful details, and patterns to make cold-weather clothes playful and fun to knit, crochet, embroider, and wear. Now you too can turn skeins of yarn and spools of thread into: Finger puppet baby mittens Reflective mittens Rose patterns Fingerless accordion gloves Striped leg warmers Simple socks And much more! From fancy to whimsical, floral print to stripes, *Warm Mittens and Socks* is the best way to break out the yarn and keep warm all year round.

As heard on BBC Radio 4, the brilliant sequel to Simon Armitage's acclaimed bestseller *Walking Home* - the story of his travels on Britain's South West coast. Not content with walking the Pennine Way as a modern day troubadour, an experience recounted in

his bestseller and prize-winning *Walking Home*, the restless poet has followed up that journey with a walk of the same distance but through the very opposite terrain and direction far from home. In *Walking Away* Simon Armitage swaps the moorland uplands of the north for the coastal fringes of Britain's south west, once again giving readings every night, but this time through Somerset, Devon and Cornwall, taking poetry into distant communities and tourist hot-spots, busking his way from start to finish. From the surreal pleasuredome of Minehead Butlins to a smoke-filled roundhouse on the Penwith Peninsula then out to the Isles of Scilly and beyond, Armitage tackles this personal *Odyssey* with all the poetic reflection and personal wit we've come to expect of one of Britain's best loved and most popular writers.

Collects children's letters to the White House dog and cat

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce objects and creatures, both real and imaginary, that invite the reader to touch and discover how furry, fleecy, mossy, or squishy each is.

While writing an introduction to a new poetry anthology, Paul Chowder struggles with the end of a relationship, his own stunted career, and the suffering of poets as varied as Tennyson and Roethke.

Suki and Sosh love their life. Each day they go to work together on their pair of feet, and each night they snuggle together in their sock drawer. But then disaster strikes: Sosh spots that Suki has a hole. Darn it! Sure enough, his warm, woolly wife starts to unravel, until one day Suki is nowhere to be found. The rest of the underwear warn him not to go it alone – no one likes an odd sock. But Sosh swears to find her.

Little Sock is tired of his routine. Day after day, it's the same old thing. He gets worn, he gets dirty, and he gets washed. Nothing ever changes. The other socks in the drawer don't seem to mind but Little Sock wants something different. He has heard of a place, Sock City, where everything is new and exciting, so one night he makes his escape from his drawer. Will Little Sock reach his destination? And what will he find there?

It's a simple equation: old sock + craft foam x glue = a collection of the most amazing incredible, outrageous, awe-inspiring sock puppets you've ever seen. *Sock Puppet Madness* includes 35 of the most fun, outlandish, off-the-wall and enchanting characters on the planet, and by following the simple step-by-step instructions, you'll be able to put together your own puppet in no time. Take Bawston the ornery cat puppet, for example. He's a baseball fan with a questionable temper, so watch what you say to him. A more friendly guy is Sebastian Metaphor. He may seem aloof with his hipster appearance but behind those sleepy eyes lies a heart of gold. If you're a sophisticated sort why not have a crack at Penelope Durtlinger, an heiress to a small fortune with an insatiable thirst for power. All the puppets are so simple to create, using just a few readily available materials that cost next to nothing - plus everyone has an old sock they can use, right? So what are you waiting for? Buy this now and make your own collection of sock puppets and join in the fun. And once you've made all the projects, why not create your own characters based on friends and family, too.

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Author Simon Doonan has two passions in life: Fashion and Football. At one time these two obsessions would have made very strange bedfellows. But times have changed: football and fashion have fallen in love. The unapologetic and unbridled style choices of today's soccer stars offer a fascinating window into the heart of the game. Looking at the beautiful game through the lens of style, Doonan entertainingly explores the magic and madness of this unique culture. Charting football style from its very beginnings, he pays homage to the great style icons of the game, from George Best to David Beckham, before turning his gaze to the hair, the tattoos and the cars, not to mention those other style icons of the game: the fans, the managers and, of course, the WAGs. A laugh-out-loud read for even the most fickle football fan or fashionista.

Lost and alone, a sock and a mitten team up to help each other find their other half, but what they find instead is something much better: each other.

Simon loses his lucky soccer sock and thinks a Sock Monster ate it for dinner.

In *Ant Farm*, former Harvard Lampoon president Simon Rich finds humor in some very surprising places. Armed with a sharp eye for the absurd and an overwhelming sense of doom, Rich explores the ridiculousness of our everyday lives. The world, he concludes, is a hopelessly terrifying place—with endless comic potential. —If your girlfriend gives you some “love coupons” and then breaks up with you, are the coupons still valid? —What kind of performance pressure does an endangered male panda feel when his captors bring the last remaining female panda to his cage? —If murderers can get into heaven by accepting Jesus, just how awkward is it when they run into their victims? Join Simon Rich as he explores the extraordinary and hilarious desperation that resides in ordinary life, from cradle to grave. "Hilarious." —Jon Stewart

Bestselling, award-winning writer Simon Garfield returns with an enthralling investigation of humans' peculiar fascination with small things—and what small things tell us about our larger world. “[Simon Garfield is] an exuberant truffle-hound of the recondite and delightful factoid.” —Sunday Times (London)

Simon Garfield writes books that shine a light on aspects of the everyday world in order to reveal the charms and eccentricities hiding in plain sight around us. After beguiling fans with books about everything from typography to time, from historic maps to the color mauve, he's found his most delightful topic yet: miniatures. Tiny Eiffel Towers. Platoons of brave toy soldiers. A doll's house created for a Queen. Diminutive crime scenes crafted to catch a killer. Model villages and miniscule railways. These are just a few of the objects you will discover in the pages of *In Miniature*. Bringing together history, psychology, art, and obsession, Garfield explores what fuels the strong appeal of miniature objects among collectors, modelers, and fans. The toys we enjoy as children invest us with a rare power at a young age, conferring on us a taste of adult-sized authority. For some, the desire to play with small things becomes a desire to make small things. We live in a vast and uncertain world, and controlling

just a tiny, scaled-down part of it restores our sense of order and worth. As it explores flea circuses, microscopic food, ancient tombs, and the Vegas Strip, *In Miniature* changes the way we perceive our surroundings, encouraging all of us to find greatness in the smallest of things.

An eleven-year-old boy on a quest to impress his suddenly cute, longtime friend accidentally manifests a tiny internet guru into existence in this hilarious MAX novel! All class clown Farley Andrew Turner (yes, that spells FAT) wanted the summer before seventh grade was to give his image a little boost...and maybe, just maybe, impress his oldest pal, whom he has a secret crush on. But when Farley accidentally manifests a tiny internet guru into existence (think genie, but far more annoying and without any ability whatsoever to grant wishes), his entire plan goes sideways. Now, in order to rid himself of the four-inch tall pest spouting ridiculous self-help advice and doing yoga on his mouse pad, Farley must complete all “Seven Steps to a Whole New You!”—no matter how embarrassing they may be. Which is how Farley finds himself outfitted in too-small spandex and suffering through daily jogs with his super-athletic dad, attempting to read *War and Peace*, and agreeing to play toy guitar in his best friend Burt’s newly formed off-pitch boy band. Unfortunately, it only goes downhill from there... But hey, no one ever claimed the path to enlightenment would be easy, did they?

A wonderful new character from the bestselling creators of *Barry the Fish with Fingers* and the illustrator of *Goodnight Digger*. Simon is an odd, stripey sock. He lives in the drawers with all the other socks. Every day two socks get picked to go on an adventure. The sparklies go to parties. The woolies go the park. The smarts go to school. Everyone has a pair... except Simon. Will he ever find his perfect match? A hilarious story celebrating friendship and difference from an exciting new picture book partnership. Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet's hilarious books have sold over 1 million copies!

"Owl has a red balloon and Monkey wants it, but Owl does not want to share. So Monkey tries to find something to trade for the balloon"-- When Willy wakes up there is trouble. Where is Bobo? Willy needs Bobo. But Earl the cat likes Bobo, too. A favorite toy is hard to share...especially when it's a sock monkey. Because sharing is caring. Sharing is great. But you know what's best (according to Earl the cat)? Not sharing at all! With sparse text and a modern-nostalgic vibe, this retro-fun book tells it like it is when it comes to sharing a favorite toy. Oh, Earl! Leave Bobo alone.

Does a polka-dotted sock match a striped sock? Young children will learn about matching, an important early math skill, as a lonely striped sock searches the house for its mate. They will may even be inspired to practice this skill in their own sock drawers! *Best Children's Science Books 1997* (Science Books and Films)

Have you EVER seen a fish with fingers? No? Well, neither had the fish at the bottom of the ocean...until they caught sight of Barry! This crazy deep-sea caper is sure to be a hit with all the kids.

“A big-hearted story that’s as sweet as it is awesome.” —R.J. Palacio, author of *Wonder* “An honest, emotionally rich take on disability, family, and growing up.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) In the tradition of *Wonder* and *Out of My Mind*, this big-hearted middle grade debut tells the story of an irrepressible girl with cerebral palsy whose life takes an unexpected turn when she moves to a new town. Ellie’s a girl

who tells it like it is. That surprises some people, who see a kid in a wheelchair and think she's going to be all sunshine and cuddles. The thing is, Ellie has big dreams: She might be eating Stouffer's for dinner, but one day she's going to be a professional baker. If she's not writing fan letters to her favorite celebrity chefs, she's practicing recipes on her well-meaning, if overworked, mother. But when Ellie and her mom move so they can help take care of her ailing grandpa, Ellie has to start all over again in a new town at a new school. Except she's not just the new kid—she's the new kid in the wheelchair who lives in the trailer park on the wrong side of town. It all feels like one challenge too many, until Ellie starts to make her first-ever friends. Now she just has to convince her mom that this town might just be the best thing that ever happened to them!

How do you draw your smelly dog? Your playful daddy? Your yummy mommy? See how one girl does it in this simple, clever picture book that's comprised of family portraits made out of objects. For example, her baby brother is so noisy—he's as loud as a whistle, a horn, and even a fire truck!—that she creates a picture of him with whistles for eyes, a horn mouth, and holding a fire truck. After the girl has described everyone in her family (including herself, in great detail), she asks, "What does your special family look like?" encouraging readers to create their own portraits. With a list of objects at the end of the book to use as a guide, this is the ideal choice for budding artists everywhere. Here's a wonderful exploration of simile and metaphor for young readers. And don't miss the companion book *My Best Friend is as Sharp as a Pencil!*

From the authors of *Cake* and *Norman the Slug* comes another wacky, laugh-out-loud picture book about a very special dance we have all had to do at some point in our lives! Alan the Bear has a problem. A big one. He really, really needs to wee. But things keep on getting in his way. With the help of his friends and a special dance, will Alan make it to the toilet in time?

This classic Dr. Seuss Beginner Book features silly tongue twisters that will have readers of all ages giggling with glee. When a fox in socks meets Knox in a box, you know that hilarity will ensue. Add chicks with bricks (and blocks and clocks) and you're sure to get your words twisted and lips locked. With his unmistakable gift for rhyme, Dr. Seuss creates a hysterical and energetic way for beginning readers to dive into the joy of reading. This book comes with the following warning: "This is a book you READ ALOUD to find out just how smart your tongue is. The first time you read it, don't go fast! This Fox is a tricky fox. He'll try to get your tongue in trouble." Originally created by Dr. Seuss, Beginner Books encourage children to read all by themselves, with simple words and illustrations that give clues to their meaning.

Early Readers are stepping stones from picture books to reading books. A blue Early Reader is perfect for sharing and reading together. A red Early Reader is the next step on your reading journey. It's a dreadful shock for Horrid Henry when Perfect Peter is born, and despite his best - or worst - efforts, he can't manage to get rid of him. As Peter gets bigger, Henry gets crosser and crosser, but the day comes when Henry inadvertently finds himself saving Peter and discovers that it's rather nice to be a hero. Read by Miranda Richardson

This book has also been published as *Where the Moon Isn't*. Winner of the 2013 Costa First Award "A stunning novel. Ambitious and exquisitely realized . . . clearly the work of a major new talent." —S. J. Watson, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Before I Go to Sleep* While on vacation with their parents, Matthew Homes and his older brother snuck out in the middle of the night. Only Matthew came home safely. Ten years later, Matthew tells us, he has found a

way to bring his brother back... What begins as the story of a lost boy turns into a story of a brave man yearning to understand what happened that night, in the years since, and to his very person. Unafraid to look at the shadows of our hearts, Nathan Filer's rare and brilliant debut *The Shock of the Fall* shows us the strength that is rooted in resilience and love.

Tina loves her brand new socks, but will never take them off. When they get too smelly, her friends take action. Now a major motion picture: *Love, Simon*, starring Nick Robinson and Katherine Langford! This edition includes new Simon and Blue emails, a behind-the-scenes scrapbook from the *Love, Simon* movie set, and Becky Albertalli in conversation with fellow authors Adam Silvera and Angie Thomas. William C. Morris Award Winner: Best Young Adult Debut of the Year * National Book Award Longlist "A remarkable gift of a novel."—Andrew Smith, author of *Grasshopper Jungle* "I am so in love with this book."—Nina LaCour, author of *Hold Still* "Feels timelessly, effortlessly now."—Tim Federle, author of *Better Nate Than Ever* "The best kind of love story."—Alex Sanchez, Lambda Award-winning author of *Rainbow Boys* and *Boyfriends with Girlfriends* Sixteen-year-old and not-so-openly gay Simon Spier prefers to save his drama for the school musical. But when an email falls into the wrong hands, his secret is at risk of being thrust into the spotlight. Now change-averse Simon has to find a way to step out of his comfort zone before he's pushed out—without alienating his friends, compromising himself, or fumbling a shot at happiness with the most confusing, adorable guy he's never met. Incredibly funny and poignant, this twenty-first-century coming-of-age, coming out story—wrapped in a geek romance—is a knockout of a debut novel by Becky Albertalli. Plus don't miss *Yes No Maybe So*, Becky Albertalli's and Aisha Saeed's heartwarming and hilarious new novel, coming in 2020!

When their socks continually go missing in the dryer, a family decides a mysterious and hungry sock monster must be gobbling up their favorite socks! When the mother tries to fool the monster in the dryer by pinning the socks together or by washing them by themselves, she soon discovers that the sock monster is not just eating their socks, but also hiding them in the craziest of places. Will they ever be able to catch that sneaky sock monster? In this delightful childrens story that encourages imaginative thinking, a family attempts to find a mysterious and hungry monster they believe is snatching socks from their dryer.

Fans of *Room on the Broom* and *How to Catch a Monster* will love this creepy-cute tale about one pumpkin who must learn to embrace his differences when he realizes he's unlike the other pumpkins. Perfect for Halloween! Christopher Pumpkin is not like all the other evil pumpkin spawn of the wicked old witch. Christopher prefers cupcakes and hugs to cobwebs and slugs, unlike the rest of the pumpkin brood. But when the creepy clan starts planning the SCARIEST Halloween party ever, Christopher's cheerful ideas for décor and treats cause a bit of a stir. Can he find a way to scare

everyone and stay true to himself?

Sharpen your pencils! The classic, bestselling crossword puzzle series returns, with 300 never-before-published Thursday to Sunday-size brain breakers. Simon & Schuster published the first-ever crossword puzzle book back in 1924. Now, more than ninety years later, the classic crossword series continues with a brand-new collection of crosswords at every level from top puzzle master John M. Samson. Designed with convenience in mind, this super-sized crossword puzzle book features perforated pages so you can tear out the crosswords individually and work on them on the go. Samson delights die-hard fans and challenges new puzzle enthusiasts as they work through this timeless and unique collection of crosswords.

From the author of Norman the Slug with the Silly Shell comes a sweet, silly, and sassy picture book about a cat who has a hat that seems magical—but the powers of the hat aren't quite what they seem. Meet Keith—a very cute cat with a magical hat! When Keith wears the hat, it makes bunnies appear out of nowhere! It even makes a stick move all on its own! But when Keith's hat falls off, will the magic still work and save the day?

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