

The Mysteries Of Harris Burdick

Alpha Betti becomes a "super ABC hero" at her school library, working her way through different centers to master the skills of ABC order. These new skills come in handy at home as she tackles her messy room.

Depicts how A was in an avalanche, B was badly bitten, C was cut to ribbons, and the other letters of the alphabet suffered similar mishaps.

THE STORY: Four young prep school students, tired of going through the usual drill of conjugating Latin and other tedious school routines, decide to vary their very governed lives. After school, one breaks out a copy of William

Shakespeare's Rom

A 25th anniversary edition of the enchanting story of a widow who finds herself in possession of an extraordinary broom after a witch falls into her garden. Some of Minna Shaw's neighbors don't trust her clever broom. "It's dangerous," they say. But Minna appreciates the broom's help. She enjoys its quiet company. But one day two children get taught a well-deserved lesson by the broom. For her neighbors, this is proof of the broom's evil spirit. Minna is obligated to give up her dear companion. Chris Van Allsburg, master of the mysterious, brings this tale to life with moody and memorable pictures that will haunt readers long after the

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book's covers are closed—now in a new edition to celebrate this beloved book's twenty-fifth anniversary.

The game under the tree looked like a hundred others Peters and Judy had at home. But they were bored and restless and, looking for something interesting to do, thought they'd give Jumanji a try. Little did they know when they unfolded its ordinary-looking playing board that they were about to be plunged into the most exciting and bizarre adventure of their lives. In his second book for children, Chris Van Allsburg again explores the ever-shifting line between fantasy and reality with this story about a game that comes startlingly to life. His marvelous drawings beautifully convey a mix of the everyday and the extraordinary, as a quiet house is taken over by an exotic jungle.

Enigmatic drawings, accompanied by brief captions, invite readers to invent their own stories to explain each scene.

Late on Christmas Eve, after the town has gone to sleep, a boy boards a mysterious train that waits for him: the Polar Express bound for the North Pole. When he arrives there, Santa offers him any gift he desires. The boy modestly asks for one bell from the reindeer's harness. It turns out to be a very special gift, for only believers in Santa can hear it ring. "Magical glowing double spread pictures . . . an original and memorable book." - Guardian "Evocative, realist

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pastels and atmospheric text." - Sunday Times "A thrilling tale." - Independent
Its almost Halloween and Mickey and the gang are getting ready for their big Clubhouse Halloween party. But will they be able to turn the Clubhouse into the spookiest haunted house in time?

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A dream world turns haunting nightmare in this spellbinding debut novel, perfect for fans of Circus Mirandus and The Night Gardener. After Andrea's brother, Francis, disappeared, everything changed. Her world turned upside down, and there was nothing she could do to right it. So when she discovers a magical dream world called Reverie in the woods near her home, Andrea jumps at the chance to escape her pain and go inside. But the cost of admission is high: Andrea must give up a memory in order to enter. And she knows exactly which memory she'd like to give up. Once inside, Andrea discovers tent after tent of dreams come alive; she can fly on a gust of wind, brave swashbuckling pirates and search for buried treasure, reach for--and wish on--a tangible star, and much, much more. But Andrea soon realizes that not all of Reverie's dreams are meant to delight, and the Sandman behind the circus tents seems to have plans of his own. When Andrea finds a tent in which her brother's darkest nightmare has been brought to life, she realizes the dark truth: Reverie is not an escape; it's

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a trap. Will Andrea and her new friend Penny have what it takes to find Francis, figure out what's really going on in Reverie, and break free from this nightmarish dream world? A wonderfully inventive, deliciously creepy debut novel that is sure to linger in readers' minds long after the last thrilling page has been turned. Praise for *The Circus of Stolen Dreams*: * "Savaryn's unconventional story makes for a bewitching debut, filled with dazzling descriptions and real surprises." --Booklist, ***STARRED REVIEW***

When he has a dream about a future Earth devastated by pollution, Walter begins to understand the importance of taking care of the environment.

A strange glowing stone picked up on a sea voyage captivates a ship's crew and has a terrible transforming effect on them.

When Sheriff Hardy investigates the source of a brilliant light and shiny slime afflicting Riverbend, he finds that the village is becoming part of a child's coloring book streaked with greasy crayons.

A young boy visits the studio of his neighbor, an artist, and finds a display of strange and beautiful pictures, which he and the reader ponder together. Bologna Ragazzi Prize-winner.

If you liked *Ready Player One* and *Ender's Game*, you'll love the thrilling high-tech adventure of *Socket Greeny!* I was a nobody before I was a legend. I had

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this funny name and white hair and really didn't care about anything. But then one day something happened and nothing was ever the same. Change is like that. One day you're a nothing, the next you're saving everything. Not everybody. Everything. It's not that I didn't want to do what I did. Someone once told me that true nature is a train—you either get on board or get run over. So I got on and let it take me. What I saw... the androids and the off-world creatures. The psychotic minders. It's out there. The rabbit hole is deep. That's the thing with the truth. It's been right in front of us all this time. We just have to see it. Once you do, you'll never unsee it. Once you know the truth, you can't ignore it. I was once a nobody and now I'm a legend because I saw the truth about reality, about this universe. And I did something about it. REVIEWS FOR SOCKET GREENY "Absolutely the BEST sci-fi! Totally enjoyable!" –Dr. Bill Encke, Reviewer "THE best book I have EVER read!" – Reviewer "I cried and laughed... I was captivated." –Teresa Koschalk, Reviewer "A story along the lines of Heinlein's best!" –SciFiGirl, Reviewer "Transcendent... a beautiful and well written expression." Tiffany, Reviewer "A Great Series for the SF fan of any Age." Greg T, Reviewer "Twists throughout woven in so well you may not notice the dominos until the very end." Reviewer "This was one of the best sci-fi/tech audiobooks I've heard lately, and frankly I can't believe it's still relatively undiscovered."

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Ms. Christian C., Reviewer AWARDS IndieReader's BEST BOOKS of 2014 7 Indie Titles Perfect for the Big Screen –IndieReader (2015)

In this delightful collection, forty acclaimed writers explain what first made them interested in literature, what inspired them to read, and what makes them continue to do so. First published in 1992 in hardback only, original contributors include Margaret Atwood, J. G. Ballard, Melvyn Bragg, A. S. Byatt, Catherine Cookson, Carol Ann Duffy, Germaine Greer, Alan Hollinghurst, Doris Lessing, Candia McWilliam, Edna O'Brien, Ruth Rendell, Tom Stoppard, Sue Townsend, and Jeanette Winterson. The new edition will include essays from ten new writers.

"In his life he made seven chairs. The first chair, made when he was a boy, was a small three-legged stool. It wobbled. When it was done he put it in front of the hearth fire. It became the property of the calico cat." - *The Seven Chairs* So begins the simple and moving story of a chairmaker and the many lives he touched with his work. Helen Lanteigne's spare and evocative prose has the timeless quality of a classic story. Through her carefully chosen words, she allows each of the seven chairs to take on a life of its own, and what we see is limited only by our own imaginations. Maryann Kovalski's exquisite illustrations are the perfect complement to this remarkable story. Through her meticulous research and imaginative execution of the art, she is able to offer an additional and integral piece of the puzzle. Anthony Browne describes how his mother's wish to spend her birthday visiting an art museum

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with her family changed the course of his life forever. A sophisticated picture book. While he should be studying for a geography test, Ben dreams about a voyage around the world.

At the edge of a cliff lies the wreck of a small sailboat. How did it get there? "Waves carried it up in a storm," says an old sailor. But is it possible that waves could ever get that high? There is another story -- the story of a boy and his obsessive desire to be the greatest sailor, the story of a storm that carried the boy and his boat to a place where boats glide like gulls high above the water and not upon it. Chris Van Allsburg tells that story of the boy and his boat, the *Zephyr*, in words and haunting, full-color pastel paintings. His sailboats sail the night sky with the stars in pictures so vivid that the reader can almost hear the wind in the sails. Here is a work of unusual artistry that will enchant readers of all ages for many years to come.

Fourteen black-and-white drawings, each accompanied by a title and a caption, entice readers to make up his or her own story.

After being given two magical figs that make his dreams come true, Monsieur Bibot sees his plans for future wealth upset by his long-suffering dog.

This delightful picture book with Emily Gravett's signature twist ending sweetly depicts the relationship between a child and her beloved pet. Matilda is desperate to figure out what her cat will enjoy. She tries everything she can think of: climbing trees, playing with wool, even tea parties and dress-up games, but as Matilda gets more and more creative in her entertainment attempts, her cat moves from unimpressed to terrified. Will Matilda ever figure out what her cat likes? In the style of *Dogs and Monkey and Me*, this young picture book from Emily Gravett is an insightful, fond, and funny look at the relationship between a little girl and her cat that's

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sure to strike a chord with anyone who's ever loved a pet.

In a rare collaboration, bestselling authors Helprin and Van Allsburg worked for nearly a decade on this ambitious, multi-generational trilogy that pits the power of love and devotion against dark forces of greed and suppression. For the first time, this hardcover volume collects all three of Helprin's contemporary fantasies —Swan Lake,The Veil of Snows, andA City in Winter— along with Van Allsburg's sensitively wrought illustrations from the original editions. 39 full-color plates.

On his birthday, Calvin and his friend Rodney see a magician perform, then copy him by hypnotizing Calvin's little sister, but the joke is on them when they are unable to snap her out of it.

Read along with Disney! With this collection of spooky Halloween stories, little ones will be tricked and treated off to sleep with some of their favorite Disney and Pixar characters.

Stunning illustrations and gorgeous haikus lead young readers through the dramatic life cycle of one of America's most beloved wild animals. Pip. Pip. Pip. Poking A hole. Cracking. Cracking. Out Pecks the white owlet. Watch as a pair of great horned owlets peep and squeak in their feathered nest. Mama and Papa hunt for food and fend off predators while the chicks grow strong enough to hop and flap between the branches of their tree, then leap and fly away, ready to explore the wild world around them. In this thrilling nonfiction picture book, a combination of haiku and dazzling illustration shows readers the fierce majesty of one of North America's most ubiquitous wild animals.

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From two-time Caldecott winner Chris Van Allsburg, creator of *Jumanji* and *The Polar Express*, comes a poignant story of one hamster's struggle with destiny. Being a pet store hamster isn't much fun for Sweetie Pie, but life in human homes proves downright perilous. As Sweetie Pie longingly gazes out of his cage at the squirrels frolicking in the trees, he wonders if he'll ever have the chance to feel the wind in his fur. Allsburg's expressive, soft-hued illustrations artfully capture a hamster's-eye view of the wide and wonderful world where maybe, just maybe, Sweetie Pie could someday run free.

Zoe loves her doll Molly, but so does her dog, Beans. It's become a bit of a problem. And it all began when Beans lost his favourite toy, Binky Boo. Will Zoe and Beans ever find him? Let's hope so, because Beans won't give up the doll until they do, and poor Molly isn't meant to be a dog's toy. She's getting very stinky! Join the loveably lively Zoe and her devoted dog Beans in a world full of fun, friendship and magical adventures. When the dog he is caring for runs away from Alan into the forbidden garden of a retired dog-hating magician, a spell seems to be cast over the contrary dog. The lion is king of the jungle! The great white shark is sovereign of the seas! The timber wolf is emperor of the forests! But . . . it's lonely at the top of the food chain. It's difficult to fit in when plant eaters can be so cruel—just because you ate a relative of theirs that one time! What's a carnivore to do? Aaron Reynolds's roaringly funny text is perfectly paired with Dan Santat's mouthwatering illustrations, creating a toothsome book that's

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sure to stand out from the herd. Plus, this is the fixed format version, which will look almost identical to the print version. Additionally for devices that support audio, this ebook includes a read-along setting.

Renowned storytellers share tales inspired by the thought-provoking illustrations in Chris Van Allsburg's "The Mysteries of Harris Burdick," including Kate DiCamillo, Lois Lowry, Stephen King, and Jon Scieszka.

Offers examples that illustrate descriptive writing and tips for brainstorming, writing the first draft, checking and refining, and sharing written work.

Most Comprehensive Mindfulness Skills Workbook Available Like no other resource, Mindfulness Skills Workbook combines the latest research and best practices -- all in a simple guide to successfully teach mindfulness to your clients. This comprehensive workbook provides the theory behind each tool, a step-by-step process to implement, and expert guidance on processing client results. Features: Experiential exercises you can integrate into practice Highly effective collection of mindfulness tools Special section to guide understanding of neurobiology behind mindfulness Dozens of reproducible activities, exercises, techniques and tools New meditations Steps for increasing client use at home Basic through advanced mindfulness skills Skills for specific disorders Journal prompts Unique templates to monitor progress Improve Treatment Outcomes: Depression Anxiety ADHD PTSD OCD Bipolar Panic Pain Sleep Stress Anger Chronic Medical and Mental Illness Reviews: "Debra Burdick has written a gem of a book on

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mindfulness. As a guide for clinicians, the book has everything: no-nonsense, clear style; plenty of background info; tie-ins with research; excellent illustrations; and plenty of original experiential tools for introducing mindfulness and leveraging motivation and compliance. This is the kind of resource on mindfulness that you are not just going to skim through: you are going to copy and dog-ear and share this book with your colleagues and your clients. This just might be the last guide to teaching mindfulness that you buy." -Pavel Somov, Ph.D., author of Present Perfect, Reinventing the Meal and Anger Management Jumpstart

She could remember standing in a park near the falls, hypnotized by the sight and sound, and holding her father's hand as they took a walk that would lead them closer. That's what everyone wonders when they see Niagara . . . How close will their courage let them get to it? At the turn of the nineteenth century, a retired sixty-two-year-old charm school instructor named Annie Edson Taylor, seeking fame and fortune, decided to do something that no one in the world had ever done before—she would go over Niagara Falls in a wooden barrel. Come meet the Queen of the Falls and witness with your own eyes her daring ride!

Rhyming text tells of a sea serpent that played off the coast of Massachusetts the summer of 1817, but when adventure seekers came from miles around to study the serpent and aggressively hunt it down, the creature eluded capture and remains a mystery even today.

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Left on their own for an evening, two boisterous brothers find more excitement than they bargained for in a mysterious and mystical space adventure board game. Enigmatic drawings invite the reader to invent his or her own stories to explain each scene.

A collection of short stories by the 4/5 students of Wilmington Academy of Arts and Sciences based on the illustrations from The Mysteries of Harris Burdick by Chris Van Allsburg.

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