

The Word Collector

Winner at the 2011 Moonbeam Children's Book Awards A poetic tale about the magic of words and the power of positive words, which invites to enjoy this wonderful story in a fun, original way. Guided Reading Level: P, Lexile Level: 720L

Josie always liked visiting her grandmother in the countryside. But when her mother loses her job in the city and they're forced to relocate along with Josie's sister, Annie, she realizes she doesn't like the country that much. Especially because Grandma Jeannie has some strange rules: Don't bring any dolls into the house. And never, ever go near the house in the woods behind their yard. Soon, though, Josie manages to make friends with the most popular girl in the sixth grade, Vanessa. When Vanessa eventually invites Josie back to her house to hang out, Josie doesn't question it. Not even when Vanessa takes her into the woods, and down an old dirt road, toward the very house Grandma Jeannie had warned her about. As Josie gets caught up in her illicit friendship with Vanessa, Annie is caught in the crossfire. What follows is a chilling tale of dark magic, friendship, and some very creepy dolls.

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"[The Weighty Word Book] will appeal to kids who want to sound as smart as they are. It offers a clever, funny way to introduce new words into the vocabulary. . . . There's one word for every letter of the alphabet--wait until you see what they do with dogmatic, juxtapose and zealot."--The Gazette (Colorado Springs, Colorado) "Each of these twenty-six short stories takes an elaborate, circuitous path that leads to a 'weighty' one-word punch line. . . . It's a creative and humorous approach to vocabulary building, and a natural

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lead in to having students create their own tall tales with multisyllabic conclusions."--School Library Journal

After following paths and signs determined by others, a young boy finally realizes that he must find his own individual way in life.

"In 1963, thirteen-year-old Arthur is sentenced to community service helping the neighborhood Junk Man after he throws a brick at the old man's head in a moment of rage, but the junk he collects might be more important than he suspects.

Inspired by the work of American folk artist James Hampton"--

Katherine Arden's bestselling debut novel spins an irresistible spell as it announces the arrival of a singular talent with a gorgeous voice. "A beautiful deep-winter story, full of magic and monsters and the sharp edges of growing up."—Naomi Novik, bestselling author of *Uprooted*

Winter lasts most of the year at the edge of the Russian wilderness, and in the long nights, Vasilisa and her siblings love to gather by the fire to listen to their nurse's fairy tales. Above all, Vasya loves the story of Frost, the blue-eyed winter demon. Wise Russians fear him, for he claims unwary souls, and they honor the spirits that protect their homes from evil. Then Vasya's widowed father brings home a new wife from Moscow. Fiercely devout, Vasya's stepmother forbids her family from honoring their household spirits, but Vasya fears what this may bring. And indeed, misfortune begins to stalk the village. But Vasya's stepmother only grows harsher, determined to remake the village to her liking and to groom her rebellious stepdaughter for marriage or a convent. As the village's defenses weaken and evil from the forest creeps nearer, Vasilisa must call upon dangerous gifts she has long concealed—to protect her family from a threat sprung to life from her nurse's most frightening tales. Praise for *The Bear and the Nightingale* "Arden's debut novel has the cadence of

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a beautiful fairy tale but is darker and more lyrical.”—The Washington Post “Vasya [is] a clever, stalwart girl determined to forge her own path in a time when women had few choices.”—The Christian Science Monitor “Stunning . . . will enchant readers from the first page. . . . with an irresistible heroine who wants only to be free of the bonds placed on her gender and claim her own fate.”—Publishers Weekly (starred review) “Utterly bewitching . . . a lush narrative . . . an immersive, earthy story of folk magic, faith, and hubris, peopled with vivid, dynamic characters, particularly clever, brave Vasya, who outsmarts men and demons alike to save her family.”—Booklist (starred review) “An extraordinary retelling of a very old tale . . . The Bear and the Nightingale is a wonderfully layered novel of family and the harsh wonders of deep winter magic.”—Robin Hobb

After not seeing each other for forty years, Miranda and Adam unexpectedly reunite in Rome--where they were once in love--and take walks together, bringing each other up to date and reviewing the betrayal that drove them apart.

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Luna is so entranced by words that she collects them, until one day she realizes that all the wonderful words are disappearing from the world, in a poetic tale about the magic of words.

Jerome enjoys collecting and using words that he hears, reads, or sees, and then decides to share his collection with others.

From the creator of the New York Times bestseller *The Word Collector* comes an empowering story about finding your voice, and using it to make the world a better place. The world needs your voice. If you have a brilliant

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idea... say something! If you see an injustice... say something! In this empowering new picture book, beloved author Peter H. Reynolds explores the many ways that a single voice can make a difference. Each of us, each and every day, have the chance to say something: with our actions, our words, and our voices. Perfect for kid activists everywhere, this timely story reminds readers of the undeniable importance and power of their voice. There are so many ways to tell the world who you are... what you are thinking... and what you believe. And how you'll make it better. The time is now: SAY SOMETHING!

Creative visionary of *The Word Collector*, *Happy Dreamer*, and *The Dot*, #1 New York Times bestseller Peter H. Reynolds creates a tender, lyrical story of multigenerational love, tradition, and family coming together with gratitude and thanks. Celebrated, bestselling creator Peter H. Reynolds brings his signature touch of love and kindness to this special, timely picture book, as families now, more than ever, are rediscovering and reevaluating what means the most: time together with one another. Violet longs for the time when her family was connected: before life, distractions, and technology pulled them all away from each other. They used to gather at the table, with food and love, to make memories, share their lives, and revel in time spent together. But now her family has been drifting apart, and with nobody to gather around it, the table grows smaller and smaller. Can Violet remind her family of the warmth of time spent together, and gather around the table once more? A mystical fable that feels at once timeless and

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utterly of the present moment, Our Table is renowned, bestselling creator Peter H. Reynolds at his best. Exquisite, expressive watercolor tells a tender story, growing from monochrome into luscious, joyful color as Violet's family is reunited around the beloved table. An ode to traditions that unite families, Our Table brings readers together with a universal message of gratitude. "If you are looking for words to express what you are thinking, feeling, and dreaming, this journal is for you. Whether you're a budding wordsmith or a writer-ish type, these pages gently prompt you to collect words, put them together in unexpected ways, and see where they take you. May they spark new ideas, poems, and stories to fuel your passion for words!" -- Back cover.

Introducing an extraordinary new voice---a magical debut that will make your skin tingle, your eyes glisten . . .and your heart sing.

Zelie Adebola remembers when the soil of Or sha hummed with magic. Burners ignited flames, Tiders beckoned waves, and Zelie s Reaper mother summoned forth souls. But everything changed the night magic disappeared. Under the orders of a ruthless king, maji were killed, leaving Zelie without a mother and her people without hope.

The classic story about the power of words Donovan Allen doesn't collect coins, comics, or trading cards like most kids. He collects words—big words, little words, soft words, and silly words. Whenever Donovan finds a new word, he writes it on a slip of paper and puts it in his word jar. But one day, Donovan discovers that his word jar is full. He can't put any new words in without taking

some of the old words out—and he wants to keep all his words. Donovan doesn't know what to do, until a visit to his grandma provides him with the perfect solution.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • ONE OF TIME MAGAZINE'S 100 BEST YA BOOKS OF ALL TIME The extraordinary, beloved novel about the ability of books to feed the soul even in the darkest of times. When Death has a story to tell, you listen. It is 1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement. In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak, author of *I Am the Messenger*, has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time. “The kind of book that can be life-changing.” —The New York Times “Deserves a place on the same shelf with *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank.” —USA Today **DON'T MISS BRIDGE OF CLAY, MARKUS ZUSAK'S FIRST NOVEL SINCE THE BOOK THIEF.**

The beloved, worldwide bestselling creator of *The Dot* and *Ish* inspires readers of every age to find their own unique path to happy, and to always follow their dreams. From a New York Times bestselling author and illustrator comes an inspiring picture book about the power of words. Some people collect stamps. Some people collect

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coins. Some people collect art. And Jerome? Jerome collected words . . . In this illustrated picture book from Peter H. Reynolds, a little boy discovers the magic of the words all around him -- short and sweet words, complicated words, words that stand out. But one day his carefully curated collection of words gets messy, and that's when Jerome discovers that words that connect, transform and empower. So Jerome starts using his words, and that's when they become powerful. Named an Outstanding Literary Work for Children by the NAACP The perfect gift for curious little ones learning how to spell and new words From the creator of *The Dot*, *I Am Human*, and *Happy Dreamer* comes a celebration of finding your own words -- and the impact you can have when you share them with the world. "Celebrates individuality, self-expression, and the joys of being a dreamer... a liberating validation of dreaming as restorative, comforting, and powerful, while giving kids full license to be themselves" -- Publishers Weekly "Ebenezer collects words. No one appreciates his efforts until he meets a friend who writes stories and could use a word or two"--

It is 1933 and the Great Depression has ravaged the nation. Millions of people are out of work; thousands of families are struggling to keep a roof overhead and food on the table. But Momma still finds ways to count her blessings (lucky stars) from Ruth's new shoes to Poppa's new job. But where Momma sees the 'bright,' Ruth only sees the dark. Her shoes are hand-me-downs from a neighbor and Poppa's new job keeps him away from home for months. And now their town can't afford to

keep the school open. Ruth will not be going to fourth grade even though she's one of the brightest students in her class. How can anyone find the good in that? But when Ruth stops thinking of her own problems and focuses on someone else's, she realizes that being a lucky star is the best way to start seeing your own lucky stars. In addition to writing children's books, Judy Young teaches poetry writing workshops for children and educators across the country. Her other books with Sleeping Bear Press include the popular *R is for Rhyme: A Poetry Alphabet* and *Lazy Days of Summer*. Judy lives near Springfield, Missouri. This is Chris Ellison's third book in the *Tales of Young Americans* series. He also illustrated *Rudy Rides the Rails* and *Pappy's Handkerchief*. His first book with Sleeping Bear Press, *Let Them Play*, was named a 2006 Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People. Chris lives in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

I Choose Yellow is about a young girl, Emily Marie Casey, who tackled life's challenges with positivity. Emily lived in Mason, Ohio. She lived a beautiful life of courage and love for 18 years. Emily and her companion Alyssa were best friends and a dynamic duo who enjoyed going on adventures together. During their time together, Emily shared her love of dogs, friends, family, soccer, hot dogs, reading, and all things yellow. But the most important thing Emily shared with Alyssa was the message she wanted to share with the world. This book was written to help advance Emily's lifelong mission of changing the world by CHOOSING to act with kindness and encouraging small acts of kindness by others. Emily

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did not let her inability to speak silence the message she wanted to share with the world, so she made her own language-- "Emily Language." Yellow was her favorite color and Alyssa's favorite word in Emily's vocabulary. It had a special meaning: it stood for positivity, kindness, and courage. Emily and Alyssa wrote *I Choose Yellow* together; Emily was the author, and Alyssa was her scribe.

Children of all ages are invited to a bright and colorful multicultural celebration with *We've Got the Whole World in Our Hands!*

Describes the philosophy of the Daily 5 teaching structure and includes a collection of literacy tasks for students to complete daily.

From the #1 NEW YORK TIMES bestselling authors of *P IS FOR PTERODACTYL* comes another hilarious, fresh look at the English language! The hero had super vision. The hero had supervision. Man, a tea sounds great. Manatee sounds great! Sir Francis Bacon Sir, France is bakin'! What is going on here?! You can't believe everything you hear! A single word can have many different meanings. And sometimes two words that sound alike can be spelled completely differently. Ptolemy the pterodactyl is back to show us all how absurd and fun language can be when homophones, homonyms, and tricky punctuation are at play! *No Reading Allowed* allows children and their parents to laugh together while also learning something new. Perfect for baby gifts, birthday gifts, teacher gifts, and anyone who finds humor in the absurdity of the English language.

From bestselling *Landmarks* author Robert Macfarlane and acclaimed artist and author Jackie Morris, a beautiful collection of poems and illustrations to help readers rediscover the magic of the natural world.

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"For every book lover who fantasized about getting locked in the library overnight, *The Story Collector* is a dream come true!" —New York Times–bestselling author Alan Gratz In the tradition of E. L. Konisburg, this middle-grade mystery adventure is inspired by the real life of Viviani Joffre Fedeler, born and raised in the New York Public Library. *The Story Collector* by Kristin O'Donnell Tubb is a middle-grade historical fiction inspired by the real life of Viviani Fedeler. Eleven-year-old Viviani Fedeler has spent her whole life in the New York Public Library. She knows every room by heart, except the ones her father keeps locked. When Viviani becomes convinced that the library is haunted, new girl Merit Mubarak makes fun of her. So Viviani decides to play a harmless little prank, roping her older brothers and best friend Eva to help out. But what begins as a joke quickly gets out of hand, and soon Viviani and her friends have to solve two big mysteries: Is the Library truly haunted? And what happened to the expensive new stamp collection? It's up to Viviani, Eva, and Merit (reluctantly) to find out.

In this Parents' Choice Gold Award–winning book, Selig collects words, ones that stir his heart (Mama!) and ones that make him laugh (giggle). But what to do with so many luscious words? After helping a poet find the perfect words for his poem (lozenge, lemon, and licorice), he figures it out: His purpose is to spread the word to others. And so he begins to sprinkle, disburse, and broadcast them to people in need. Acclaimed creator of *The Word Collector*, *Happy Dreamer*, *Say Something*, and *Be You*, #1 New York Times bestseller Peter H. Reynolds breaks new ground in this ultimate gift book format perfect for readers of every age. A poetic, universal, and joyful celebration of how we feel about the most beloved people in our lives -- we love them BY HEART! I love every smile, every blink, I love you by heart. I love your toes, your head, your nose, I love you by heart. Celebrated,

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bestselling creator Peter H. Reynolds brings to life this ode to unconditional love with a delightful and poetic tribute to the rare and beautiful love that binds us together. From the intimate and unbridled love parents and caregivers have for their little ones, to the tremendous love of a lifelong friendship, and the boundless love of a grandparent -- this is a heartfelt message to share with the people we cherish; like a song we have known all our lives, we love them by heart. Peter H. Reynold's whimsical and charming art conveys this deep expression of love with humor, tenderness, and heart. Love You by Heart is the perfect gift for Valentine's Day and any day of the year and will become a bookshelf staple. Just right for new and expectant parents, baby showers, birthdays, graduations, and anytime you want to share a most heartfelt message of L-O-V-E!

Discover the power of activism in this companion to New York Times bestsellers I Am Human and I Am Love! One seed to start a garden, one note to start a melody, one brick to start breaking down walls: Every movement and moment of change starts with purpose, with intention, with one. With me. With you. From the #1 New York Times bestselling team behind I Am Yoga, I Am Peace, I Am Human, and I Am Love comes a powerful call to action, encouraging each reader to raise their voice, extend a hand, and take that one first step to start something beautiful and move toward a better world.

Includes a guided mediation and self-reflection activity.

Features an audio read-along! With a simple, witty story and free-spirited illustrations, Peter H. Reynolds entices even the stubbornly uncreative among us to make a mark -- and follow where it takes us. Her teacher smiled. "Just make a mark and see where it takes you." Art class is over, but Vashti is sitting glued to her chair in front of a blank piece of paper. The words of her teacher are a gentle invitation to express herself. But Vashti can't draw - she's no artist. To prove her point,

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Vashti jabs at a blank sheet of paper to make an unremarkable and angry mark. "There!" she says. That one little dot marks the beginning of Vashti's journey of surprise and self-discovery. That special moment is the core of Peter H. Reynolds's delicate fable about the creative spirit in all of us.

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Be curious...Be adventurous...Be brave...**BE YOU!** Discover a joyful reminder of the ways that every child is unique and special, from the beloved creator of *The Dot*, *Happy Dreamer*, and New York Times bestseller, *The Word Collector*. Here, Reynolds reminds readers to "be your own work of art." To be patient, persistent, and true. Because there is one, and only one, YOU. In the tradition of books like *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* and *I Wish You More* comes a wholly original, inspirational celebration of individuality as only Peter H. Reynolds can create! Using her magical spoon to make new words by changing letters around, Anna embarks on a series

of adventures with a lost little boy. Reprint.

From NYT bestselling author Jennifer A. Nielsen comes a stunning thriller about a girl who must escape to freedom after the Berlin Wall divides her family between east and west. *A Night Divided* joins the Scholastic Gold line, which features award-winning and beloved novels. Includes exclusive bonus content! With the rise of the Berlin Wall, Gerta finds her family suddenly divided. She, her mother, and her brother Fritz live on the eastern side, controlled by the Soviets. Her father and middle brother, who had gone west in search of work, cannot return home. Gerta knows it is dangerous to watch the wall, yet she can't help herself. She sees the East German soldiers with their guns trained on their own citizens; she, her family, her neighbors and friends are prisoners in their own city. But one day on her way to school, Gerta spots her father on a viewing platform on the western side, pantomiming a peculiar dance. Gerta concludes that her father wants her and Fritz to tunnel beneath the wall, out of East Berlin. However, if they are caught, the consequences will be deadly. No one can be trusted. Will Gerta and her family find their way to freedom? "The undisputed king of the comic crime novel."

—Providence Journal Nobody does Florida weirdness quite like Tim Dorsey! Case in point: *When Elves Attack*, the New York Times bestselling author's twisted Christmas present to his legion of adoring

fans who can't get enough of thrill-killer and Sunshine State historian Serge A. Storms, the most endearing psychopath since Dexter. Dorsey offers the perfect antidote for all those sappy feel-good holiday stories with this zany blockbuster extravaganza in which his wonderfully deranged serial killer Floridaphile delivers his special brand of Christmas cheer. More outrageous than Santa Claus in a Speedo, *When Elves Attack* serves up a Yuletide feast of the "pure gonzo humor" the New York Times Book Review enthusiastically attributes to this fearlessly funny writer. Think *Bad Santa* and National Lampoon's *Family Vacation*, blend in Dorsey's trademark appetite for destruction, and you've got hilarious crime fiction black comedy that anyone would be thrilled to discover stuffed in their Christmas stocking.

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