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DON'T MISS OUT

Gentle stories
with strong messages
and lasting values



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Guilt
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Heartwarming stories
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Hygiene
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Shame
Social-emotional learning



Who is it for

Babies (0–1 year)
Early Learners (2–6 years)
Beginning Readers (5–7 years)
Young Readers (6–10 years)
Parents, caregivers and educators

MRLJEK i PRljeK

hit series about hygiene

Fun adventures with two messy, lovable characters whose stories can help children build healthy habits and daily routines.

TOPICS: hygiene, good habits, health, daily routines

Series: 7 titles

Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Author: Jelena Pervan

Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec

Format: cardboard

Pages: 20 (latest title 26)

Size: 21x27 cm

Rights sold in

Serbia, Poland and China.



Jelena Pervan



We are proud to share that the author of this series has been nominated for the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award (ALMA) 2026.

(Yuc)key selling points

- Funny and adventurous!
- Children love it! Parents love them too!
- A recognisable, character-driven series with long-term potential.
- Sold in more than 50.000 copies in Croatia (population of 3,8 milion people)
- Merchandising opportunities - currently including plush toys and enamel mugs.



BUGSY AND GOOEY

PDFs and English translations available upon request!



What's the fuss - and the mess - all about?

Bugsy and Gooley are two naughty bacteria who love everything dirty, smelly, rotten and yucky. Most of all, they like to make chaos on children who don't like to wash their hands, teeth, hair, feet and body. They love to do their pranks on little ones who pick their noses, don't want to clean their messy rooms or take care of the good bacteria in their tummies.

Picture book series about hygiene is among the most popular children's books in Croatia, sold in tens of thousands of copies and are a true literary brand. They have helped thousands of children adopt good habits and hygiene, to fall in love with books and reading in general and to share reading time and laughter with their parents. Due to a yucky language and crazy plots, children find them extremely funny, they laugh and have so much fun while learning important health lessons. Bugsy and Gooley have become synonymous with hygiene.



Bugsy and Gooley on a sloppy sleepover
The story about messy room
ISBN 978-953-385-016-0
2020



Bugsy and Gooley on a sour mission
The story of smelly feet
ISBN 978-953-385-017-7
2022



Bugsy and Gooley in slimy universe
The story about nose-picking
ISBN 978-953-385-013-9
2023



Bugsy and Gooley shake up a yucky potion
The story of a spoiled tooth
ISBN 978-953-385-015-3
2018



Bugsy and Gooley on a smelly journey
The story about unwashed hair
ISBN 978-953-385-014-6
2018



Bugsy and Gooley celebrate a yuckiest birthday
The story of dirty hands
ISBN 978-953-385-018-4
2018



Bugsy and Gooley and yummy-yucky dinner fuss
The story about good bacteria
ISBN 978-953-385-035-1
2025

NEW title!

· **MERCH AVAILABLE** ·

Bugsy and Gooley plush toys
Yucko cocoa enamel mug



WHAT'S NEXT?
Alphabet puzzle game

From big and mixed-up feelings, to building social skills

BASIC EMOTIONS

ANGER
SADNESS
FEAR
HAPPINESS

COMPLEX EMOTIONS

GUILT
DISSAPOINTMENT
HUMILIATION
SHAME
ANXIETY

SOCIAL SKILLS and BEHAVIOUR

SELF-CONFIDENCE
ACCOUNTABILITY
ASSERTIVE COMMUNICATION
SELF-REGULATION
RESILIENCE
EMPATHY
CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR

COMING NEXT:

A new series exploring
manipulation and lying
in children

Therapeutic stories as a practical tool

Specially designed narratives that help children understand and navigate emotions, everyday challenges, and life experiences in a safe and engaging way. Through relatable characters, gentle storytelling, and positive, solution-oriented messages, these books support emotional regulation, resilience, and problem-solving skills.

Widely used by parents, educators, and therapists, the titles address universal themes such as anxiety, loss, self-esteem, shame, social challenges, and behaviour. By normalising difficult situations and offering reassurance, clarity, and age-appropriate strategies, these stories empower children to process their feelings and build confidence in the world around them.

Why to buy?

- Written by experts in child psychology
- Includes advice for parents and caregivers in every book
- Recommended by professionals who work with children
- Read in kindergartens and schools across Croatia
- Sold in over 100,000 copies in Croatia (population of 3.8 million)
- Very positive feedback from parents (including testimonials such as "These books saved us", driving trust and word-of-mouth sales)



ANGER | basic emotions | therapeutic picture books

2+

TOPICS: anger, unpleasant emotions, aggressive behaviour, self-harm, psychosomatic symptoms, resistance to set boundaries

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2015

Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević

Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec

Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)

Size: 22x22 cm | Pages: 24

Rights sold in Serbia and Slovenia.

PDFs and English translations available!

A much-loved story
about angry squirrel -
over 10.000 copies sold!



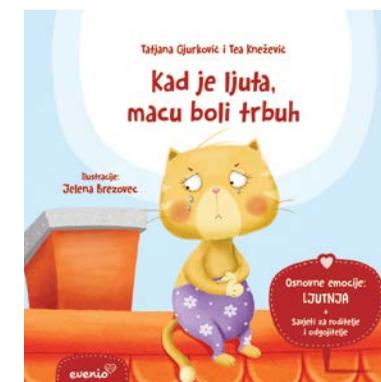
When angry, little squirrel misbehaves
anger and breaking set boundaries
ISBN 978-953-8008-65-8



When angry, little hippo bites
anger and aggressive behaviour towards others
ISBN 978-953-8008-67-2



When angry, bunny hurts himself
anger and aggressive behaviour towards
oneself (self-harm)
ISBN 978-953-8008-68-9



When angry, kitty has a tummy ache
suppression of anger and psychosomatic
problems
ISBN 978-953-8008-66-5

Anger is one of the four basic emotions we are born with. It's an emotion that holds a lot of energy that seeks to be expressed outwardly. In this series, we cover four most common ways in which toddlers express this unpleasant emotion through challenging behaviour.



FEAR | basic emotions | therapeutic picture books

2+

TOPICS: separation anxiety, fear of changes, unknown people and situations, criticism and punishment, sense of safety, comfort

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2016

Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević

Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec

Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)

Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

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PDFs and English translations available!

Little bear has already helped thousands of children adapt to kindergarten.



Little bear is afraid to stay in kindergarten
separation anxiety
ISBN 978-953-8008-69-6



Puppy is afraid of going to the doctor
fear of unfamiliar people, places and situations
ISBN 978-953-8008-70-2



Little elephant is afraid of yelling and punishment
fear of authority, criticism and punishment
ISBN 978-953-8008-71-9



Little sheep is afraid of changes new baby brings
fear of changes in family dynamics
ISBN 978-953-8008-72-6

Fear is one of the four basic emotions we are born with. Children are afraid of different things in different developmental stages, but the need behind that emotion is to restore a sense of safety and the subjective feeling of being protected. Fear is very real to small children, and they need comfort and reassurance from trusted adults.



SADNESS | basic emotions | therapeutic picture books

2+

TOPICS: loss, comfort, failure, jealousy, attention, longing

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2017
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

Rights sold in Serbia and Slovenia.
PDFs and english translations available!

The story about winning and losing is a favourite in kindergartens.



Little hedgehog is sad, he didn't win the game
sadness after losing
ISBN 978-953-8008-73-3



Little pig is sad, he misses attention
sadness behind jealousy
ISBN 978-953-8008-76-4



Little mouse is sad, he misses his parents
sadness and longing
ISBN 978-953-8008-74-0



Little giraffe is sad, her grandpa is gone
sadness and loss of a loved one
ISBN 978-953-8008-75-7



Sadness is one of the four basic emotions we are born with. The main reasons for feeling sad are the loss or separation from an object or person. The emotional need “behind” the feeling of sadness is the need for support, comfort, and compensation for what was lost, in whatever way possible.



HAPPINESS | basic emotions | therapeutic picture books

2+

TOPICS: finding happiness in experiences, happiness and material things, sharing positive feelings with others, being happy for someone else, an inner sense of peace and joy

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2017
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

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PDFs and english translations available!

Warm stories about children's experience and expression of happiness.



Hamster found happiness in peace and quiet
motorically restless and loud happiness vs. quiet and calm happiness
ISBN 978-953-8008-77-1



In TOP 5 on bestseller list!

Fox learned that happiness comes from within
happiness found in material things vs. happiness found in shared experiences
ISBN 978-953-8008-78-8



Pony found happiness in sharing effort and success
sharing happiness after successfully completed task and effort
ISBN 978-953-8008-80-1



Lioness knows how to be happy for others
happiness and joy inspired by positive feelings and the success of others
ISBN 978-953-8008-79-5



Happiness is one of the four basic emotions we are born with. When a child is happy, the best thing we can do is to relax and try to understand and feel child's energy. Happiness is an emotion that requires us to share it with another person. In this way, our feeling of happiness is complemented, expanded, and prolonged.



BESTSELLERS · #1 Parents' choice in Croatia

EMPATHY

4+

social-emotional learning | therapeutic picture books

TOPICS: emotional self-regulation, understanding others, emotional support, sharing difficult moments, social awareness, helping one another, showing up for someone

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2022
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

Rights sold in Serbia.
PDFs and English translations available!

Highly sought titles in schools and kindergartens.



I will calm myself so I can comfort you
emotional empathy, self-regulation, and co-regulation
ISBN 978-953-8008-85-6



I understand you and offer you my help
cognitive empathy, understanding other people's situation and problems
ISBN 978-953-8008-87-0



I will show you that I'm thinking of you
behavioural empathy, showing support with acts of kindness
ISBN 978-953-8008-88-7



I care for nature for it gives me so much back
environmental empathy, being caring and attentive towards nature and society
ISBN 978-953-8008-86-3

Empathy is a socioemotional skill that needs to be learned from the earliest childhood. The role of adults is to model behaviours, communicate values and give emotional support to children in a process of learning empathy. Empathy is a lifelong emotion and skill that help us have deep and meaningful relationships.



SHAME, HUMILIATION, DISAPPOINTMENT, GUILT complex unpleasant emotions | therapeutic picture books

4+

TOPICS: expectations, disappointment, mockery and rejection among peers, shaming in public, guilt and making things right with others

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2020
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

Rights sold in Serbia.
PDFs and English translations available!

Stories that promote kindness and help prevent bullying.



Wrongdoing hurts: Wolf feels guilt
hurting others, guilt, apology and redemption
ISBN 978-953-8008-84-9



Mockery and rejection hurt: Donkey feels humiliated
bullying, rejection and verbal insults from peers
ISBN 978-953-8008-82-5



Criticism hurts: Monkey feels ashamed
public shaming and criticism
ISBN 978-953-8008-83-2



Unmet expectations hurt: Turtle feels disappointed
unfulfilled expectations and disappointment
ISBN 978-953-8008-81-8

Complex emotions such as shame, guilt or humiliation require a very careful approach from adults. Child who is systematically exposed to these difficult feelings and doesn't receive help and protection, can carry the scars and face mental health issues for the rest of their life.



ANXIETY

complex unpleasant emotions | therapeutic picture books

4+

TOPICS: social anxiety, learned helplessness, separation anxiety, intense worry, tension, restlessness, panic attacks

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2024
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tatjana Gjurković, Tea Knežević
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 22x22 cm

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PDFs and English translations available!

Widely used by psychologists and professionals working with children.



I feel uncomfortable around other children
social anxiety caused by unpleasant experiences in the past
ISBN 978-953-385-021-4



I feel unsafe when I'm not home
social anxiety caused by learned mistrust in the world
ISBN 978-953-385-019-1



I feel restless when separated from my mum
separation anxiety
ISBN 978-953-385-020-7



I feel scared that I will fail
panic attacks caused by social expectations and fear of failure
ISBN 978-953-385-022-1

Until recently, anxiety was mostly mentioned in the context of difficulties faced by adults. However, experts who work with children have noticed a significant increase in anxiety symptoms in very young children. Children are often troubled by the fear that something bad might happen and they won't be able to cope.



CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR emotional learning | therapeutic picture books

3+

TOPICS: social skills, growth mindset, self-respect, personal boundaries, psychological and emotional resilience, self-worth, persistence, faith in one's own abilities, resilience to failure

Series: 5 titles | First published: 2023
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Eva Brlek, Julija Kukec
Illustrator: Sven Nemet
Format: softcover (adaptable to hardcover)
Pages: 24 | Size: 21x21 cm

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PDFs and English translations available!

More than 10.000 copies
sold in under a year!



Momo hits his friend in kindergarten
shame and guilt
ISBN 978-953-8008-95-5



Momo often argues with his sister
hypersensitivity and irritability
ISBN 978-953-8008-94-8



Momo always wants to be first
impatience, restlessness and dissatisfaction
ISBN 978-953-8008-96-2



Momo fights with his mum
resistance to set boundaries
ISBN 978-953-8008-93-1

Mom's
first
choice!



Momo doesn't want to share his toys
fear of losing valuable things
ISBN 978-953-8008-92-4

Adults often don't know how to deal with, how to react, or what to do when children express challenging behaviours. Behind challenging behaviours are always unpleasant and heavy emotions. The books offer clear, precise, step-by-step advice for parents on how to guide a child from challenging to desirable behaviours.



RESILIENCE

3+

social-emotional learning | therapeutic picture books

TOPICS: frustration, connection between emotions and behaviour, co-regulation, self-regulation, calming-down techniques, making choices, neurophysiology, aggressive behaviour, tantrums

Series: 5 titles | First published: 2025
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Eva Brlek, Julija Kukec

Illustrator: Ljiljana Kuruca

Format: cardboard

Pages: 20 | Size: 21x21 cm

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PDFs and English translations available!

A fast-selling series with 10.000 copies sold in its first year!



I try even when it's hard
persistence, discipline,
self-confidence, growth mindset
ISBN 978-953-385-030-6



I want to introduce myself
social skills, making friends,
resilience to unknown
ISBN 978-953-385-031-3



I'm worthy and I know I'm loved
self-worth, self-respect
ISBN 978-953-385-029-0



Series' first sold-out title!

I know how to stand up for myself
personal boundaries, meeting needs,
assertiveness
ISBN 978-953-385-028-3



Can I play with you?
social skills, relationships, belonging
to a social group, resilience to rejection
ISBN 978-953-385-027-6



Psychological resilience refers to a child's ability to cope with challenges, stress, and change. In today's world, when children are exposed to numerous stressors, it is important to build a foundation for their mental health and emotional stability.



SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL COMPETENCIES
social-emotional learning | insightful stories about feelings

5+

TOPICS: assertive communication, boundaries, self-esteem, responsibility, independence, self-control

Series: 4 titles | First published: 2019

Age group: Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Authors: Tamara Vučković, Tihana Fraculj

Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec

Format: hardcover

Pages: 32 | Size: 22x25 cm

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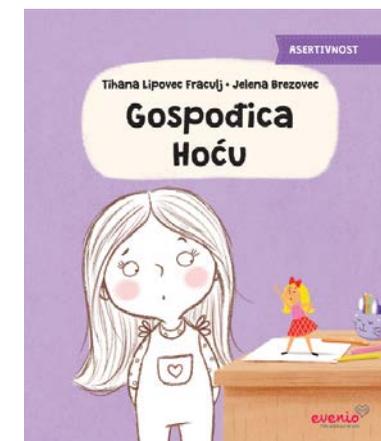
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SPECIAL JURY
MENTION · 2019
Grigor Vitez Award

Two new titles coming in 2026!
HOCUS FOCUS · challenges with focus and concentration
FLAWLESS TESS · perfectionism in children



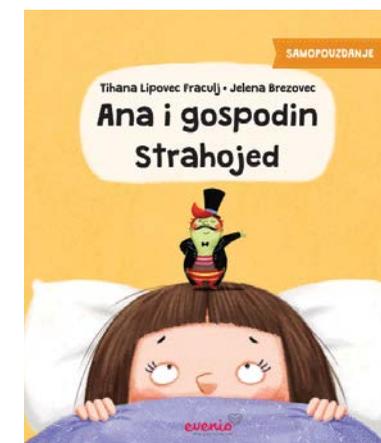
Maurice Angerpeace
self-regulation, emotional maturation
 ISBN 978-953-8008-44-3



Little Miss YesIWill
building boundaries, assertive communication, resilience
 ISBN 978-953-8008-45-0



Mister Cho and Miss Con
choices and consequences, responsibility, accountability
 ISBN 978-953-8008-43-6



Anna and Mister Feareater
self-confidence, believing in own capabilities
 ISBN 978-953-8008-42-9

To grow into competent, responsible, self-confident and stable individuals, children need to learn socioemotional skills from a young age that will help them adapt to and cope with other individuals, the environment and society. With humorous and imaginative stories and characters, children go through interesting experiences that can be helpful to them in their everyday situations.



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NEW! · HIGH-CONTRAST BABY BOOKS
cognitive growth | developed with experts

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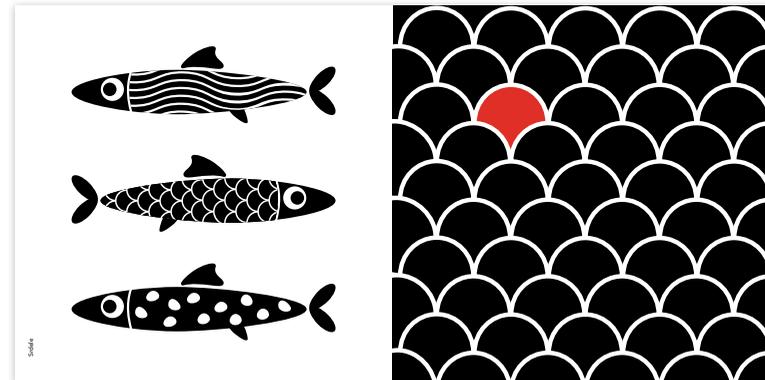
TOPICS: vision development, focus and concentration, soothing through repetitive patterns, formation of new neural connections, bonding between parent and child, foundations for speech development, associating images with sounds, encouraging vocalization and imitation, face and emotion recognition, building passive vocabulary, encouraging complex visual analysis

Series: 3 titles | Age group: Babies (0 – 1)
 First published: 2026

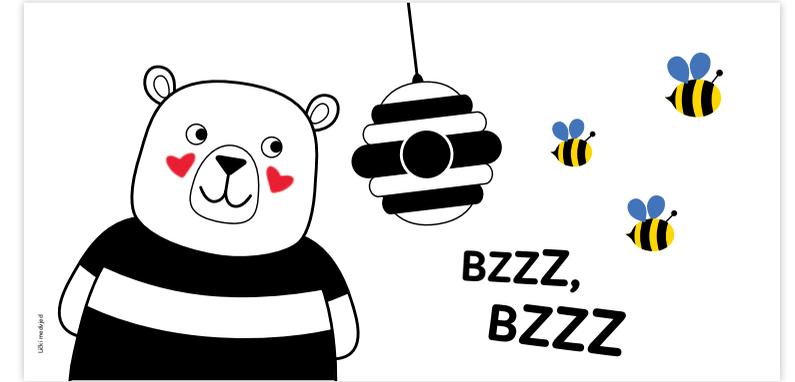
Team of authors
 Format: cardboard
 Pages: 20 | Size: 18x18 cm

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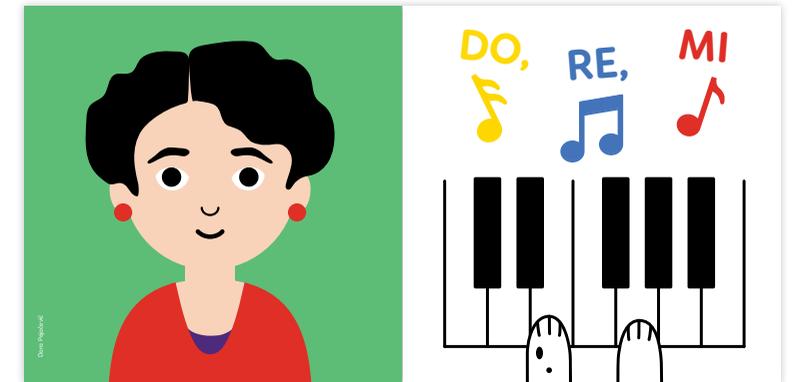
Created by a team of authors,
 in collaboration with child development
 professionals - ophthalmologist, speech
 therapist and neuropsychiatrist.



Dodo discovers PATTERNS
 patterns that soothe and stimulate baby's vision and brain development
 ISBN 978-953-385-040-5



Dodo discovers SOUNDS
 visual and auditory stimulation for babies
 ISBN 978-953-385-041-2



Dodo discovers FACES
 speech development, visual perception and emotion recognition
 ISBN 978-953-385-042-9

Cardboard books inspired by science contain instructions and suggestions from experts. These board books follow the baby's development from the first day of life. They help with vision development, strengthen neural networks, and form preconditions for the development of speech and emotional intelligence.



HEARTWARMING STORIES · SNORYBEAR

2+

TOPICS: tolerance, acceptance, power of community, friendship, belonging, social support, diversity

Series: 3 titles | First published: 2023
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Author: Jelena Pervan ★ ALMA 2026 Nominee

Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec

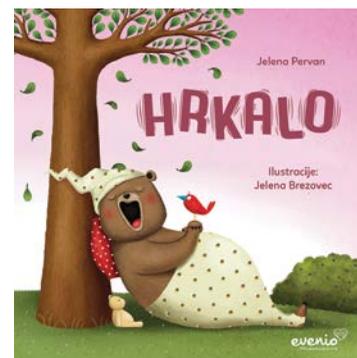
Format: hardcover

Size: 22x22 cm | Pages: 32

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Stories about dreamers - individuals who experience life deeply and are carried away by their fantasies, ideas, visions and dreams of a beautiful, meaningful life.



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Snorybear and Chamomille
ISBN 978-953-385-010-8



Snorybear and Sleepybear
ISBN 978-953-385-011-5

FIRST TIME IN LIBRARY, MUSEUM AND THEATRE

4+

TOPICS: introducing children to cultural institutions, art and cultural life

Series: 3 titles
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)

Author: Ivanka Ferenčič Martinčič

Illustrator: Nikolina Dinješ

Format: hardcover

Size: 20.5x20.5 cm | Pages: 32

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Little bunny fell in love with the library
ISBN 978-953-8008-51-1
2020



Little bear fell in love with the museum
ISBN 978-953-8008-63-4
2021



Little kitty fell in love with the theatre
ISBN 978-953-8008-91-7
2023

The great value of these picture books lies in their attempt to encourage children to be curious, to read, to learn, to explore, and to travel to diverse and wondrous worlds where written stories, stories of our heritage, and theatrical stories develop ideas and imagination.



Cloud with a yellow coat
humanity, empathy, wonders of life
ISBN 978-953-8008-46-7



Author: Nikolina Manojlović Vračar
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: hardcover | Pages: 32 | Size: 25 x 26 cm
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)



Knight Akul and the king who played too much
screen time can never replace real connections and experiences
ISBN 978-953-8008-56-6

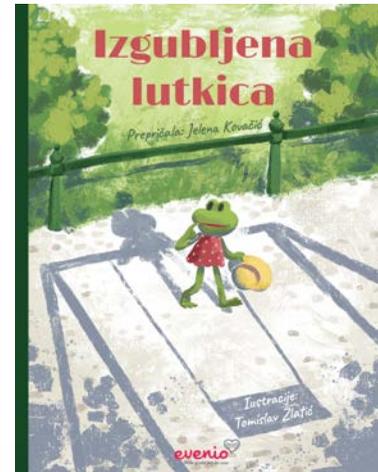
Author: Andrijana Martić
Illustrator: Ivana Guljašević Kuman
Format: hardcover | Pages: 32 | Size: 25 x 26 cm
Age group: Beginning readers (5 – 7), Young readers (6 – 10)



NEW!
Glittery Chickens from the Village Flickens
unity through diversity
ISBN 978-953-385-032-0



Author: Lucija Matučec Veljavečki
Illustrator: Jelena Brezovec
Format: hardcover | Pages: 32 | Size: 25 x 26 cm
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6)



The lost doll
everything we lose returns to us in a different form
ISBN 978-953-8008-62-7

Author: Jelena Kovačić
Illustrator: Tomislav Zlatić
Format: hardcover | Pages: 36 | Size: 21 x 26 cm
Age group: Early learning (2 – 6), Beginning readers (5 – 7)



Jupiter who was searching for a word
the power of saying sorry and forgiving
ISBN 978-953-8008-89-4

Author: Lucija Matučec Veljavečki
Illustrator: Ana Kadoić
Format: hardcover | Pages: 36 | Size: 25 x 26 cm
Age group: Early learners (2 – 6)



The boy who flooded the world
sadness and finding comfort together
ISBN 978-953-8008-55-9

Author: Snježana Babić Višnjić
Illustrator: Marko Pinjuh
Format: hardcover | Pages: 32 | Size: 26 x 25 cm
Age group: Beginning readers (5 – 7), Young readers (6 – 10)

You've reached the end of the catalogue.
But for the stories inside, this could be a new beginning.

Shall we talk rights?

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We look forward to hearing from you!

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