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[The Polar Express](#) - Chris Van Allsburg 2014-10-02

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 pastels and atmospheric text." - Sunday Times "A thrilling tale."

- Independent

*How to Think Like a Great Graphic Designer* - Debbie Millman 2010-06-29

Take a peek inside the heads of some of the world's greatest living graphic designers. How do they think, how do they connect to others, what special skills do they have? In honest and revealing interviews, nineteen designers, including Stefan Sagmeister, Michael Beirut, David Carson, and Milton Glaser, share their approaches, processes, opinions, and thoughts about their work with noted brand designer Debbie Millman. The internet radio talk host of Design Matters, Millman persuades the greatest graphic designers of our time to speak frankly and openly about their work. *How to Think Like a Great Graphic Designer* offers a rare opportunity to observe and understand the giants of the industry. Designers interviewed include: —Milton Glaser —Stefan Sagmeister —David Carson —Paula Scher —Abbott Miler —Lucille Tenazas —Paul Sahre —Emily

Oberman and Bonnie Siegler —Chip Kidd —James Victore —Carin Goldberg —Michael Bierut —Seymour Chwast —Jessica Helfand and William Drenttel —Steff Geissbuhler —John Maeda Allworth Press, an imprint of Skyhorse Publishing, publishes a broad range of books on the visual and performing arts, with emphasis on the business of art. Our titles cover subjects such as graphic design, theater, branding, fine art, photography, interior design, writing, acting, film, how to start careers, business and legal forms, business practices, and more. While we don't aspire to publish a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are deeply committed to quality books that help creative professionals succeed and thrive. We often publish in areas overlooked by other publishers and welcome the author whose expertise can help our audience of readers.

**7 Ate 9** - Tara Lazar

2019-10-04

6 has a problem. Everyone knows that 7 is always after

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him. Word on the street is that 7 ate 9. If that's true, 6's days are numbered. Lucky for him, Private I is on the case. But the facts just don't add up. It's odd. Will Private I put two and two together and solve the problem . . . or is 6 next in line to be subtracted?

**The Stranger** - Chris Van Allsburg 1986

The enigmatic origins of the stranger that Farmer Bailey hits with his truck and brings home to recuperate seem to have a mysterious relation to the weather. Could he be Jack Frost? "The author-illustrator has woven a thread of fantasy in and around his realistic illustrations to give the reader, once again, a story that stays in the imagination." -- Horn Book

Ben's Dream - Chris Van Allsburg 1997-01

While he should be studying for a geography test, Ben dreams about a voyage around the world.

The Mysteries of Harris Burdick - Chris Van Allsburg 1984

Enigmatic drawings, accompanied by brief captions,

invite readers to invent their own stories to explain each scene.

**The Garden of Abdul Gasazi** - 1979

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 Chronicles of Harris Burdick* - Chris Van Allsburg 2013

This inspired collection of short stories is based on the original illustrations of Chris Van Allsburg in his esteemed and mysterious *The Mysteries of Harris Burdick*, and features many remarkable, best-selling authors in the worlds of both adult and children's literature: Sherman Alexie, M.T.

Anderson, Kate DiCamillo, Cory Doctorow, Jules Feiffer, Stephen King, Tabitha King, Lois Lowry, Gregory Maguire, Walter Dean Myers, Linda Sue Park, Louis Sachar, Jon Scieszka, Lemony Snicket, and Chris Van Allsburg himself.

Van Allsburg's *Harris Burdick* illustrations have evoked such

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wonderment and imagination since Harris Burdick's original publication in 1984; many have speculated or have woven their own stories to go with his images. More than ever, the illustrations send off their eerie call for text and continue to compel and pick at the reader's brain for a backstory - a threaded tale behind the image. In this book, we've collected some of the best storytellers to spin them.

**The Misadventures of Sweetie Pie** - Chris Van Allsburg 2014

Sweetie Pie escapes the confines of his hamster cage (and several insufferable owners) to find a new home in the wild. Another instant picture book classic from two-time Caldecott-winner Chris Van Allsburg.

**The Wall** - Eve Bunting 1990  
A boy and his father come from far away to visit the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington and find the name of the boy's grandfather, who was killed in the conflict.

**Fortunately** - Remy Charlip 2017-09-12

Good and bad luck accompany Ned from New York to Florida on his way to a surprise party. *Where Are My Books?* - Debbie Ridpath Ohi 2015-05-12  
Spencer loves books and reads one every night, sometimes aloud, then puts the book back in its place, but one morning his favorite book is missing, and the next day another, with each being replaced by a different object. Simultaneous eBook.

**Brave Enough for Two** - Jonathan D. Voss 2018-06-12  
Fans of Winnie the Pooh and Christopher Robin, George and Martha, and Frog and Todd are sure to fall for best friends Hoot & Olive in Jonathan Voss's winning author-illustrator debut. Filled with bold, captivating illustrations, *Brave Enough for Two* is a touching story about a girl, her imaginary owl friend, and the warm, supportive friendship they share. Jonathan's sweet story is sure to appeal to any child who counts a stuffed animal as a close friend. But the star of the show is Jonathan's sumptuous art,

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which brings to mind the work of the Fan Brothers and Lauren Castillo.

**The Alphabet Theatre Proudly Presents the Z was Zapped** - Chris Van Allsburg 1987

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 Mysterious Edge of the Heroic World** - E.L.

Konigsburg 2010-05-11

"ninety percent of who you are is invisible." Amedeo Kaplan seems just like any other new kid who has moved into the town of St. Malo, Florida, a navy town where new faces are the norm. But Amedeo has a secret, a dream: More than anything in the world, he wants to discover something -- a place, a process, even a fossil -- some treasure that no one realizes is there until he finds it. And he would also like to discover a true friend to share these things with. William Wilcox seems like an unlikely candidate for friendship: an aloof boy who is all edges and

who owns silence the way other people own words. When Amedeo and William find themselves working together on a house sale for Amedeo's eccentric neighbor, Mrs. Zender, Amedeo has an inkling that both his wishes may come true. For Mrs. Zender's mansion is crammed with memorabilia of her long life, and there is a story to go with every piece. Soon the boys find themselves caught up in one particular story -- a story that links a sketch, a young boy's life, an old man's reminiscence, and a painful secret dating back to the outrages of Nazi Germany. It's a story that will take them to the edge of what they know about heroism and the mystery of the human heart. Two-time Newbery winner E. L. Konigsburg spins a magnificent tale of art, discovery, friendship, history, and truth.

**Prietita Y la Llorona** - Gloria Anzaldúa 1995

Prietita, a young Mexican American girl, becomes lost in her search for an herb to cure her mother and is aided by the

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legendary ghost woman.

**The Wreck of the Zephyr** -  
Chris Van Allsburg 1983

**The Serpent Came to  
Gloucester** - M. T. Anderson  
2005

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.

**Puzzling Pictures** - Anna  
Claybourne 2019-07-15

A picture shows exactly how things look. Well, it does most of the time. However, our brains use lines and angles to figure out whether buildings are bigger than each other or leaning in an odd way. This book shows readers exactly how pictures can be optical illusions and why they see what they do. With concepts of art, architecture, engineering, and brain science, the main content fits many parts of STEAM together, just like the puzzles

inside the book.

**Small Things** - Mel Tregonning  
2018-03-01

In this wordless graphic picture book, a young boy feels alone with his worries. He isn't fitting in well at school. His grades are slipping. He's even lashing out at those who love him. Talented Australian artist Mel Tregonning created *Small Things* in the final year of her life. In her emotionally rich illustrations, the boy's worries manifest as tiny beings that crowd around him constantly, overwhelming him and even gnawing away at his very self. The striking imagery is all the more powerful when, overcoming his isolation at last, the boy discovers that the tiny demons of worry surround everyone, even those who seem to have it all together. This short but hard-hitting wordless graphic picture book gets to the heart of childhood anxiety and opens the way for dialogue about acceptance, vulnerability, and the universal experience of worry.

**Sketches from a Nameless  
Land** - Shaun Tan 2014-10-02

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The Arrival has become one of the most critically acclaimed books of recent years, a wordless masterpiece that describes a world beyond any familiar time or place. How did it come to be created, and what inspired its unique and captivating story? In Sketches from a Nameless Land, author Shaun Tan explains the origins of his ideas, using examples from early research and concept sketches through to finished artwork. In tracing this evolution, he sheds light on the silent language of images, the spirit of the migrant experience and the artist's creative journey. The Arrival was sited as No 35 in The Times 100 Best Books of all time. An imaginative triumph. Every home should have one. - The Times It will fascinate and occupy adults and children alike. - The Observer Read more about The Arrival at [www.thearrival.com.au](http://www.thearrival.com.au) Find out more about Shaun Tan at <http://www.shauntan.net>

The Wretched Stone - Chris Van Allsburg 1991

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

*The Discovery of Socket Greeny* - Tony Bertauski  
2010-07-13

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 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." Ms. Christian C., Reviewer AWARDS IndieReader's BEST BOOKS of 2014 7 Indie Titles Perfect for the Big Screen -IndieReader

(2015)

*Queen of the Tiles* - Hanna Alkaf 2022-04-19

They Wish They Were Us meets The Queen's Gambit in the world of competitive Scrabble when a teen girl is forced to investigate the mysterious death of her best friend a year after the fact when her Instagram comes back to life with cryptic posts and messages. CATALYST 13 points noun: a substance that speeds up a reaction without itself changing When Najwa Bakri walks into her first Scrabble competition since her best friend's death, it's with the intention to heal and move on with her life. Perhaps it wasn't the best idea to choose the very same competition where said best friend, Trina Low, died. It might be even though Najwa's trying to change, she's not ready to give up Trina just yet. But the same can't be said for all the other competitors. With Trina, the Scrabble Queen herself, gone, the throne is empty, and her friends are eager to be the next reigning champion. All's fair in love and

Scrabble, but all bets are off when Trina's formerly inactive Instagram starts posting again, with cryptic messages suggesting that maybe Trina's death wasn't as straightforward as everyone thought. And maybe someone at the competition had something to do with it. As secrets are revealed and the true colors of her friends are shown, it's up to Najwa to find out who's behind these mysterious posts—not just to save Trina's memory, but to save herself.

**Zathura** - 2002

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.

**The Pleasure of Reading** -

Antonia Fraser 2015-10-20  
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.

The Sweetest Fig - 1993

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.

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**Burdick** - Chris Van Allsburg  
1996

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**The Chronicles of Harris**

**Burdick** - 2011

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,

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Stephen King, and Jon Scieszka.  
The Kitchen Knight - Margaret Hodges 1991

**Swan Lake** - Lisbeth Zwerger 2002  
A glorious picture-book adaptation of perhaps the best-loved ballet of all time about the enchanted swan princess is based on Tchaikovsky's original 1877 version with the happy ending.

*Halloween* - Caroline Feller Bauer 1992  
A collection of Halloween stories and poems by a variety of authors. Includes recipes and a bibliography.

**Bad Day at Riverbend** - Chris Van Allsburg 1995  
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.

**The Collector of Moments** - Quint Buchholz 1999  
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.

**Probuditi!** - Chris Van Allsburg 2006  
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.

**Book Lust** - Nancy Pearl 2009-09-29  
What to read next is every book lover's greatest dilemma. Nancy Pearl comes to the rescue with this wide-ranging and fun guide to the best reading new and old. Pearl, who inspired legions of litterateurs with "What If All (name the city) Read the Same Book," has devised reading lists that cater to every mood, occasion, and personality. These annotated lists cover such topics as mother-daughter relationships, science for nonscientists, mysteries of all stripes, African-American fiction from a female point of view, must-reads for kids,

books on bicycling, "chick-lit," and many more. Pearl's enthusiasm and taste shine throughout.

**This School Year Will Be the BEST!** - Kay Winters

2010-07-08

On the first day of school, new classmates are asked to share what they would most like to happen in the upcoming year. Some kids' hopes are familiar while others are off-the-wall. Whether it's looking good on picture day or skateboarding at school, everyone's wishes are shown in humorously exaggerated illustrations. As the first day draws to a close, there can be no doubt—this school year will definitely be the best!

*Just a Dream* - Chris Van Allsburg 1990

When he has a dream about a future Earth devastated by

pollution, Walter begins to understand the importance of taking care of the environment.

*Queen of the Falls* - Chris Van Allsburg 2011-04-04

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!