

# FRANKFURT SELECTION

Birds  
have wings,  
children  
have books

2020

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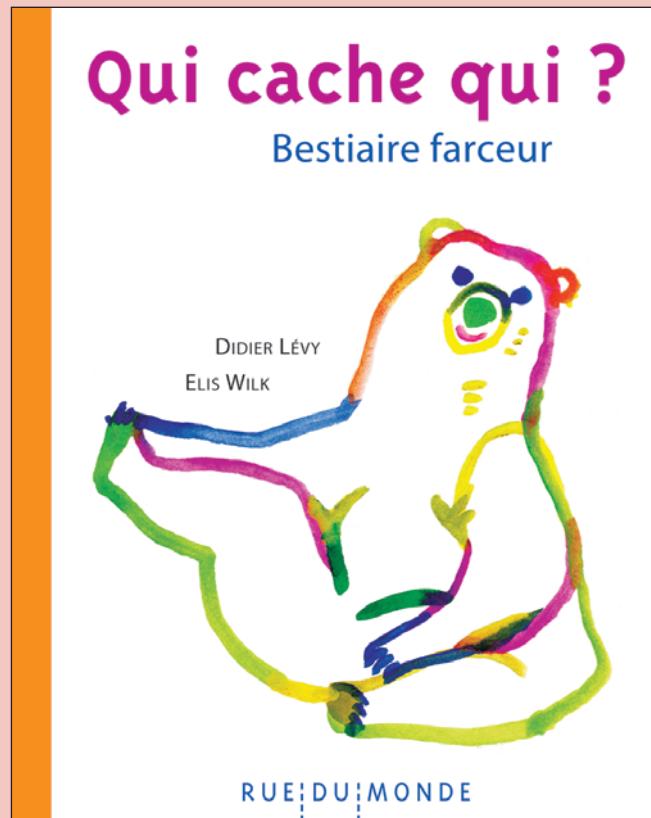
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The imagination  
to rethink  
the world!



A game of hide-and-seek

A witty picture book that children  
will love exploring for themselves!



Age 6+, 36 pages, 19 x 25 cm

**Who is Hiding Who? A fun-packed animal book**  
*Didier Lévy / Elis Wilk*

- This quirky animal compendium is full of humour and originality. The words on each page describe one animal, while the picture **shows a completely different creature, often related to the first.**
- So when the cheetah is sulking and won't sit for the illustrator, **the gnu seizes his chance to show off while the coast is clear!**
- The sly fox is invisible and gets very squashed because a bear (who we see in the picture) has sat on the fox (who we can't see).
- Follow the animal trail through the book towards the strangest beast of all: **a child who likes to play – like a proper little monkey!**

A game of hide-and-seek

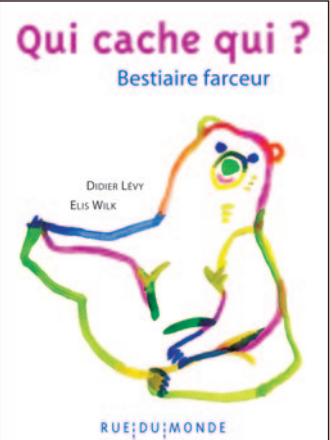
# Who is Hiding Who?

## A fun-packed animal book

### LE GUÉPARD

Le guépard n'a pas envie de se montrer.  
Malgré nos demandes insistantes,  
malgré nos ruses subtiles,  
il n'a pas daigné pointer le bout de son nez.

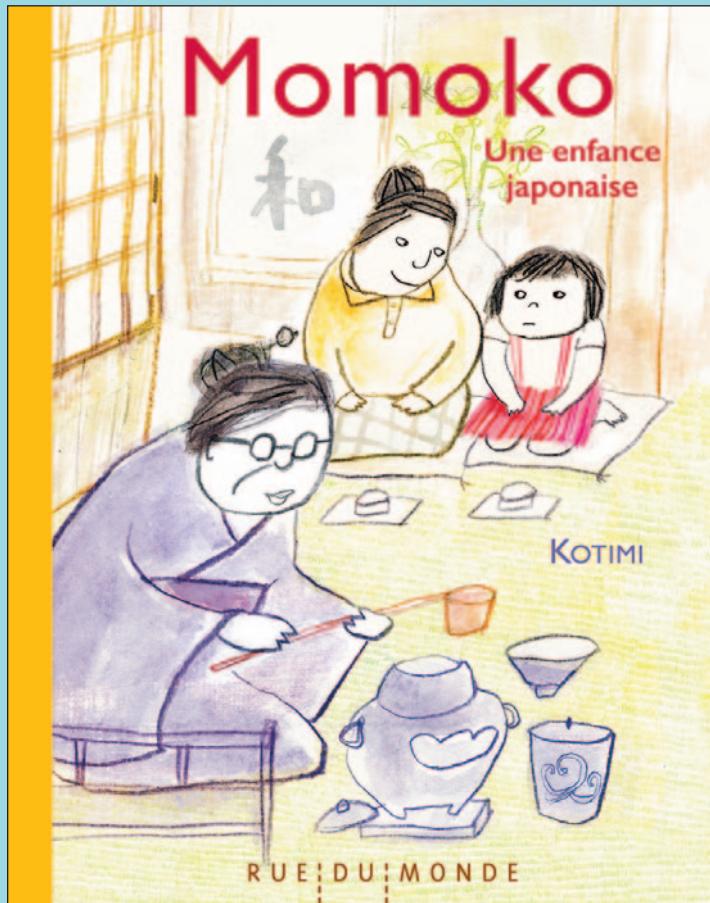
Comme le guépard n'est pas là,  
vous pouvez cependant contempler le gnou,  
qui en profite pour manger tranquillement.



*Smart animals  
stay hidden  
to stay safe!*

A different-coloured childhood

Discover Japan through eight amusing  
little true stories, told by a little girl



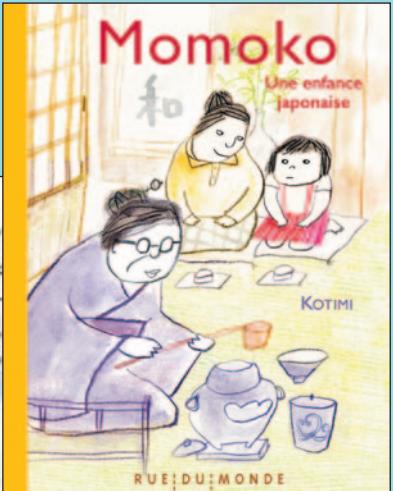
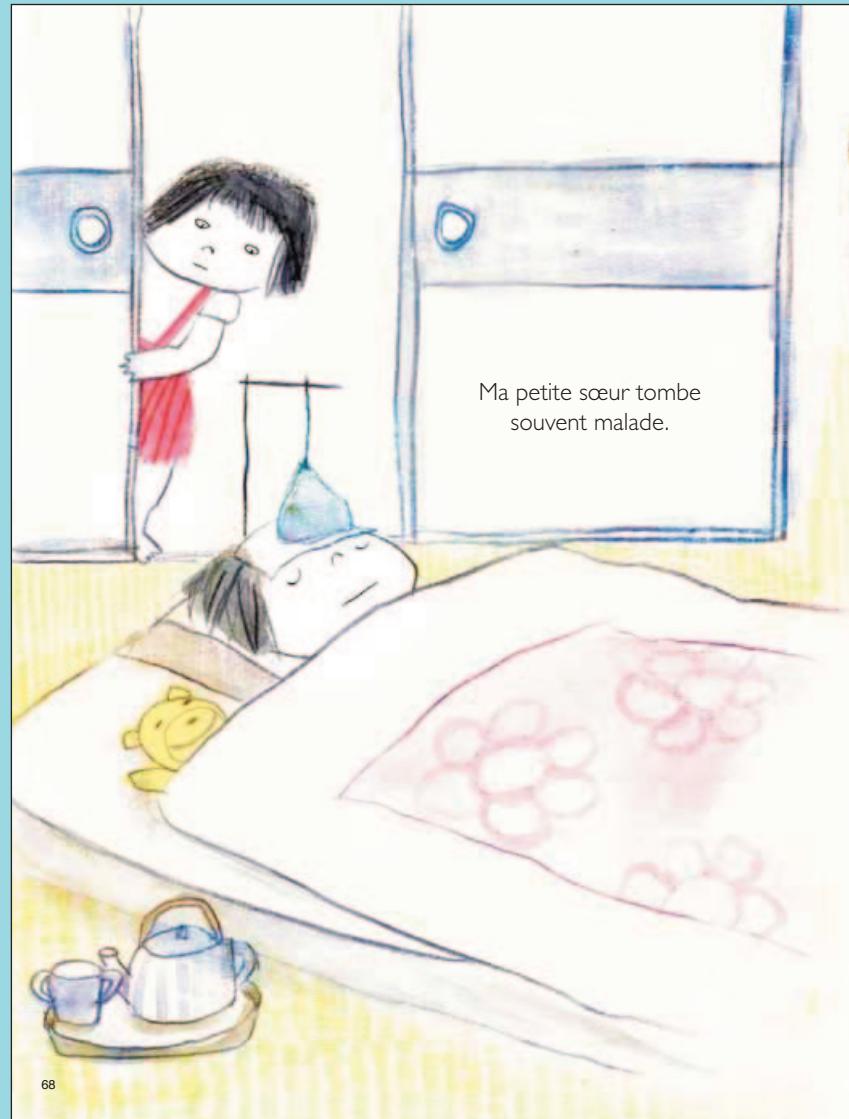
Age 6+, 168 pages, 19 x 24.5 cm

**Momoko A Japanese Childhood**  
*Kotimi*

- The illustrator Kotimi is Japanese. She grew up in Tokyo in the 1960s and now lives in Paris.
- In this collection she brings us **eight fresh, true stories based on her happy childhood** in an ordinary family.
- In this unique, 168-page picture book she tells us about the street games she played, **the father she barely knew** because he worked such long hours, the chicken pox that stopped her from **starting school on time**, the tea ceremony at her grandmother's house and **her disabled sister** who's sometimes annoying, but always loveable.
- Young readers will enjoy discovering **a different culture** and experiencing a different childhood, and they'll be fascinated by the goldfish-seller's stall!

# A different-coloured childhood

## Momoko A Japanese Childhood



*Discover a side of Japan that's not talked about in history or geography lessons,  
through these charming little true stories about Japanese children.*

A different-coloured childhood

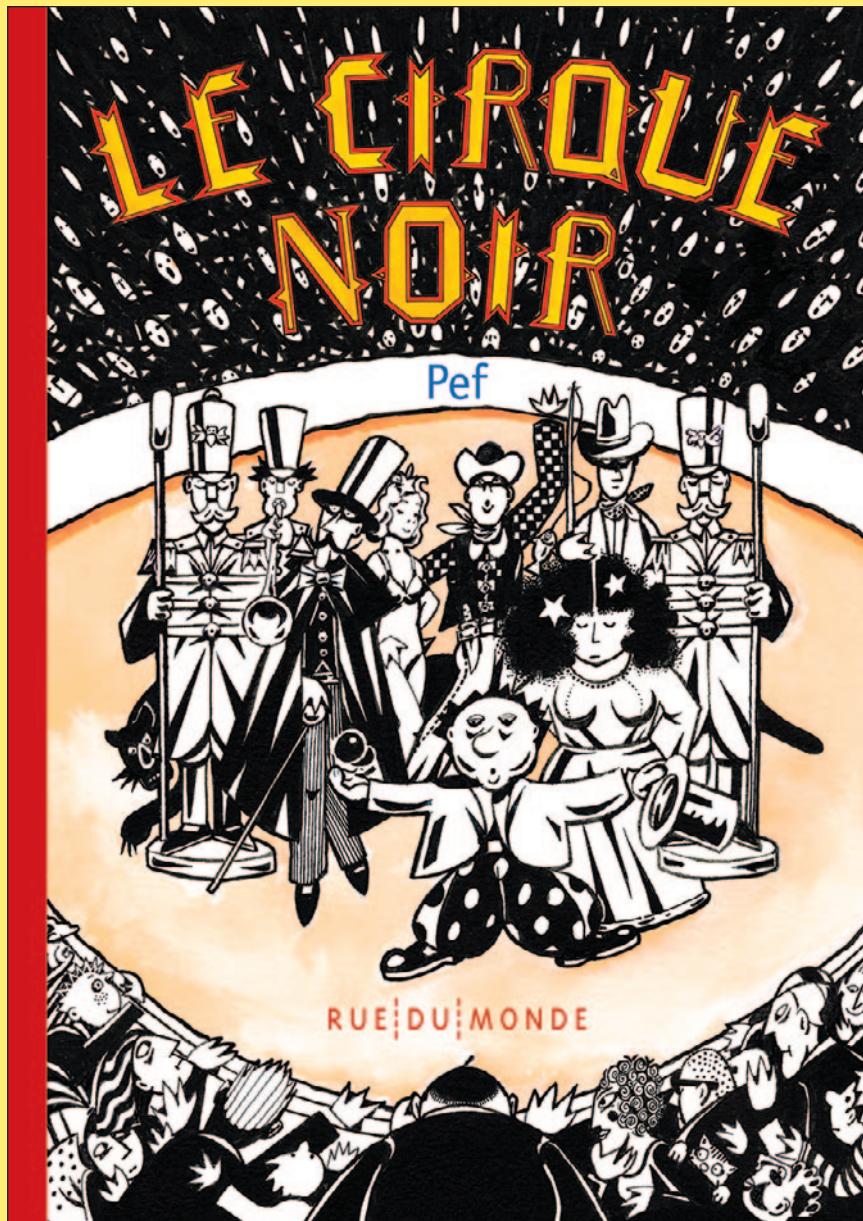
# Momoko A Japanese Childhood



*Everything about this book is done with a light touch or hinted at between the lines.  
The colours are subtle and the drawing very different from the usual stereotypes.*

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And now for some colour!



A dark circus bursting  
with the colours of hope!

## The Dark Circus

Pef

- **Pef is always full of surprises.** In this book, he erects a black big-top housing a circus of horrors, where a despairing crowd is drawn to human misery.
- But suddenly **the first clown in the history** of the circus appears in the dark circus ring, bringing with him the first ever colour: the red of his nose.
- When the clown bounces the red ball from one pair of hands to another, **all life's colours erupt**. A child in the crowd dreams of becoming a clown one day.
- Enter *The Dark Circus* and enjoy a perfectly crafted, topical tale, **illustrated with a fresh new style** in this post-lockdown picture book.

Age 6+, 48 pages, 21 x 30 cm

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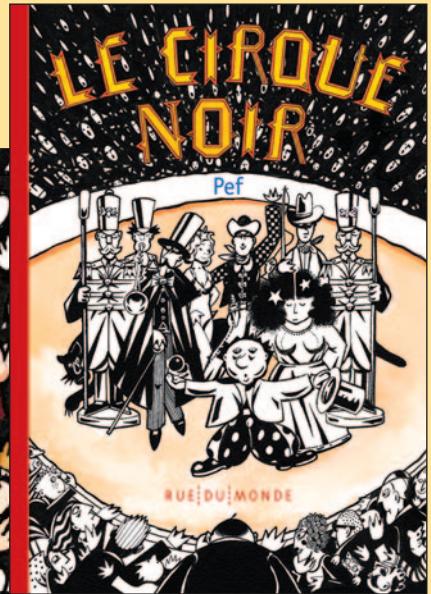
And now for some colour!

## The Dark Circus



Un enfant la reçut et la renvoya aussitôt.  
Mais ses mains, puis tout le reste de sa personne,  
avaient pris de magnifiques couleurs !

*There's loads  
to discover  
in this visually  
stunning book  
featuring  
more than  
200 characters.*



Discover the world in all its diversity . . .

## Books as paper bridges between children.



Age 5+, 40 pages, 25.5 x 25.5 cm

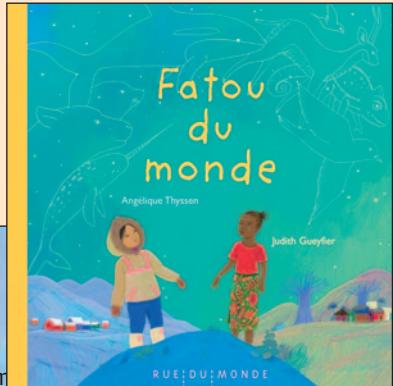
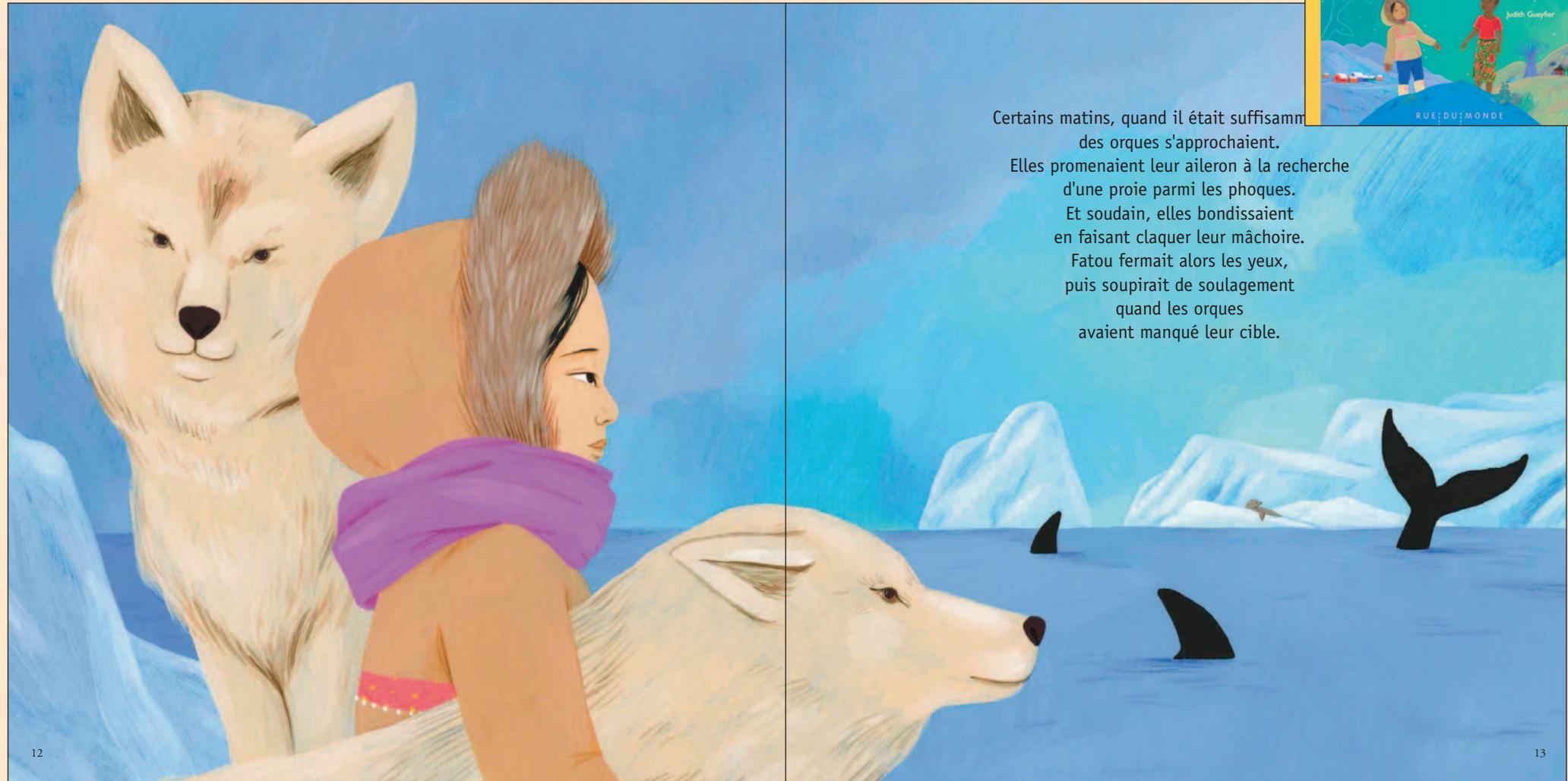
### Fatou Around the World

*Angélique Thyssen / Judith Gueyfier*

- Somewhere in Greenland, a little girl has a surprising name: **Fatou**. Her parents came across it in an illustrated book borrowed from the village library.
- Lulled to sleep by the sounds and colours of Senegal, **Fatou from the land of ice dreams of one day meeting Fatou from the other side of the world**.
- One day, she'll set sail on the scientists' ice-breaker that sometimes passes her home. Then she will surely swap the small gift she **has carved from ice for one modelled from sand** by her soul sister who shares her name.

Discover the world in all its diversity . . .

## Fatou Around the World



*This book invites us on a journey to the land of discovery,  
far from lands of ice and fire.*



## My First Book of World Poems

*Poets and illustrators collective*

Poems gathered from the four corners of the earth to show how different we all are but how universal our dreams, smiles and feelings are!

Age 4+, 40 pages

18.5 x 22.8 cm



## Poetry Welcomes You 30 poems to mark your birth

*Poets' collective/Aurélia Fronty*

Contemporary poets celebrate birth and life with new writing. There are poems about nature, grandparents, first steps, humanity and the planet.  
An ideal new baby gift!

From birth and for everyone, 40 pages

18.5 x 22.8 cm

# The joy of taking things slowly

With its elongated format, this book propels us at lightning speed into a frenetic race, reflecting the immediacy and superficiality of our fast-moving age.



Hurry, hurry, hurry,  
slow down!

## HURRY HURRY HURRY!

*Clotilde Perrin*



- This is a story that travels at 1000 miles an hour . . . until everything changes! The alarm clock goes off and our little hero leaps out of bed, gets dressed and brushes his teeth in two shakes of a lamb's tail, **forgetting to have his breakfast**.
- He races off to meet his friends and the day gets off to a flying start . . . on board an express bus. His journey continues on a speedboat that runs aground, and then it's a frenetic race to try to board an ultrasonic plane!
- But our hero can't run fast enough yet . . . There's nothing for it but turn back.  
**And then, plodding home alone**, he can finally listen to the cat's purring, feel a drop of rain on his skin and watch the plane fly into the distance!
- Once home, he has all the time in the world to savour **the delicious sound of a spoonful of jam** gliding over a slice of bread. This clever little book invites us to appreciate life's simple pleasures, those tiny everyday moments that are so precious, and to have the courage to slow down!

Age 3+, 24 pages, 32 x 12 cm • Rights sold : Korean, Dutch, German, Spanish, Catalan

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The joy of taking things slowly



Hurry, hurry, hurry through the first half of the book ...



devancer car vite il faut monter dans le bus qui est déjà en route, vroom, il double un cycliste, une voiture, une camionnette, une moto, puis il traverse la ville  
en un éclair, rapido presto il accélère, sort de la ville fissa, nous sommes excités comme des poux, même pas le temps d'une pause pipi, le conducteur klaxonne,

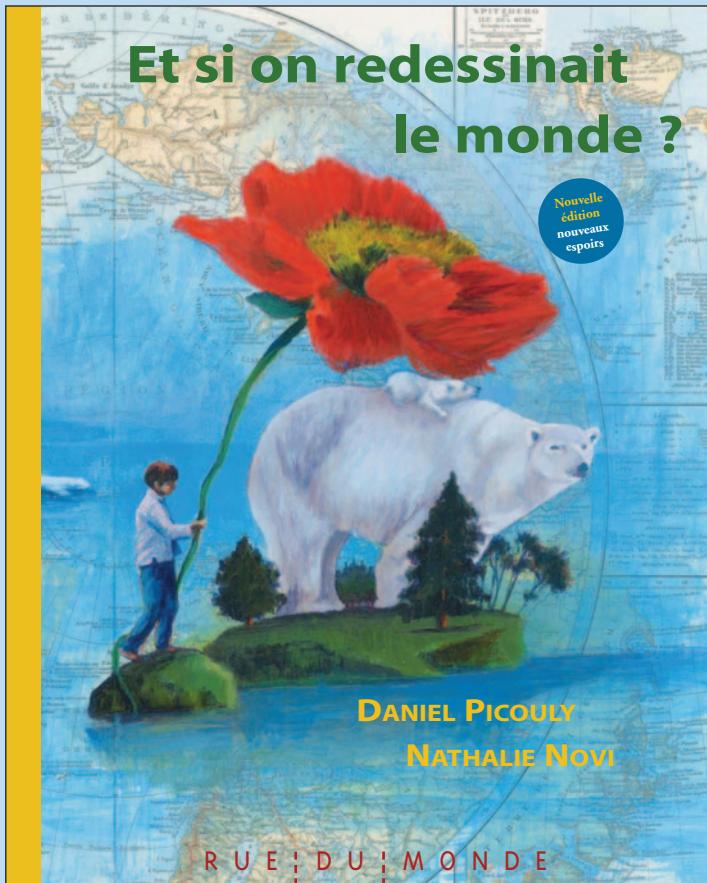
... then read the second half very slowly!



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Dreaming up a new world

# 2020: together we need to rethink the world!



Age 8+ and for everyone  
48 pages, 28 x 35 cm

Rights sold : Spanish, Catalan,  
Portuguese (Brasil), Korean

## Let's Redraw the Earth

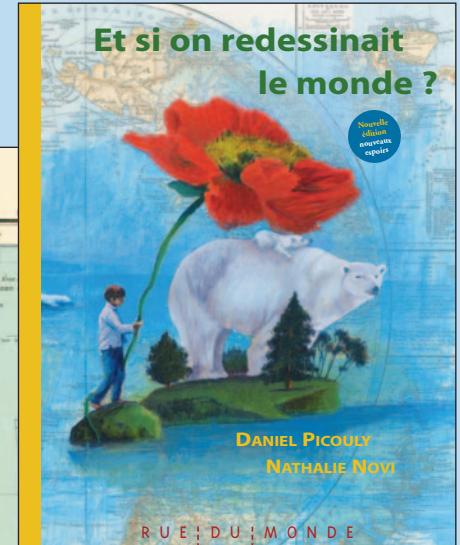
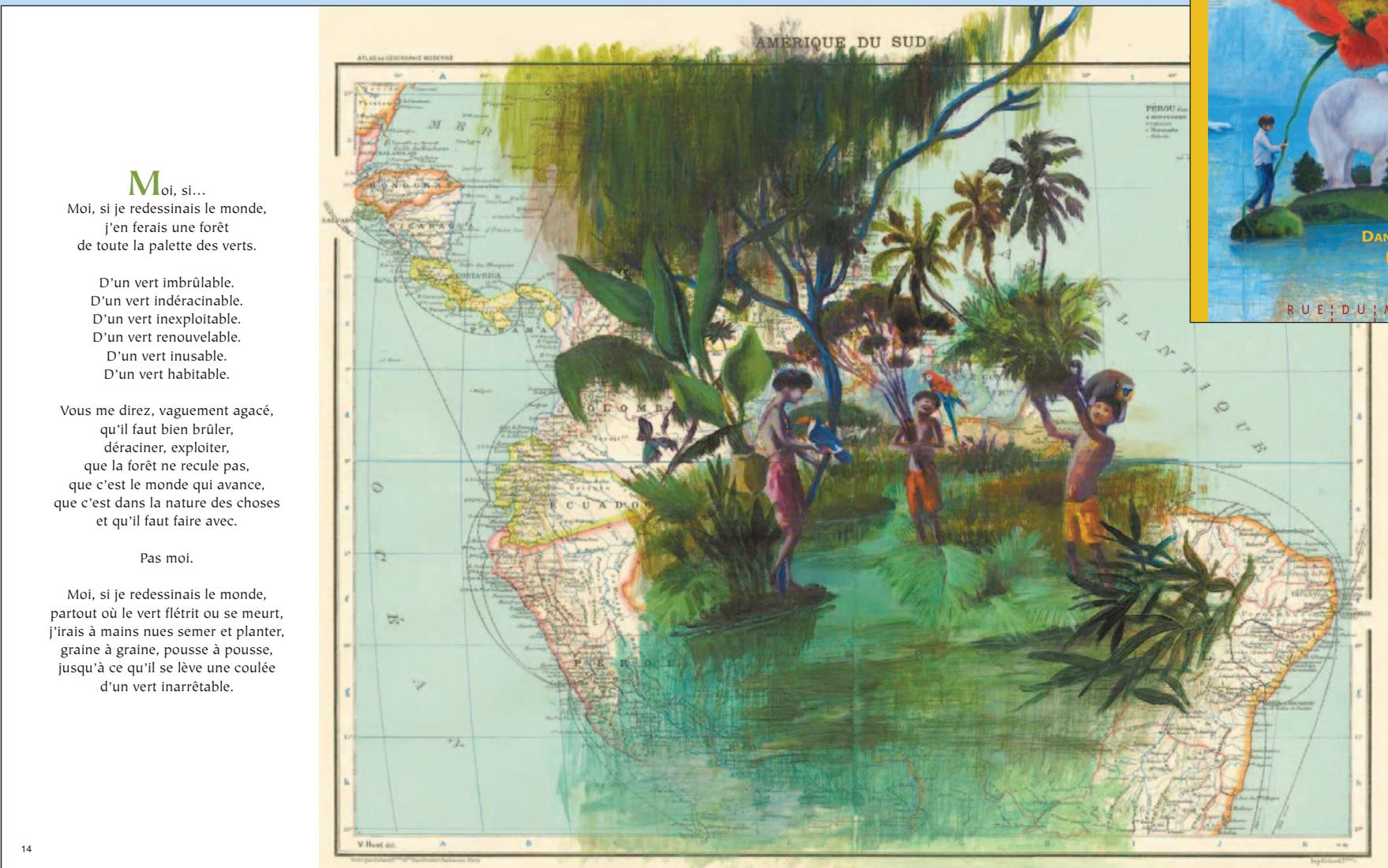
Revised and extended

*Daniel Picouly / Nathalie Novi*

- This gorgeous picture book returns to bookshops in a revised and enhanced edition to tell us we **urgently need to redesign the world**. The pandemic demands we act.
- Daniel Picouly shares his hopes and utopian dreams, illustrated with **maps from old atlases**, brought to life in a beautifully inspired way by Nathalie Novi.
- Music and milk to share, an Arctic no longer doomed, a giant picnic on a lake, a far cry from today's social distancing, a street in Harlem where tranquillity reigns, the Amazon replanted by children and birds, and much more.
- **Beauty and utopian dreams are given free rein**, and at the end of the book, the young reader is invited in turn to come up with **their own dreams for a new world**.

# Let's Redraw the Earth

## Revised and extended edition



This little masterpiece is back  
to help us build a better world tomorrow . . .

Here, some children are replanting the Amazonian forest.

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The planet  
in our  
children's hands



Protect biodiversity!

NEW  
SERIES

NATURE  
HOLDS  
THE KEY  
TO ALL OUR  
FUTURES

## A highly topical nature book



Age 6+, 32 pages, 24 x 24 cm

### Don't Blame the Pangolin

*Laurana Serres-Giardi  
Nathalie Dieterlé*

- The pangolin has become associated with **the fear aroused after it was suspected of being a key link in the chain of transmission of Coronavirus** to humans.
- But in this book, the author, a researcher in genetics, aims above all to **highlight this fascinating little mammal's uniqueness** in terms of biodiversity.
- The pangolin's way of life and habitat are described in minute detail, as well as its precarious future. The pangolin is the animal **most illegally trafficked in the world**, for its scales with their supposed powers, and for its meat.

A new series  
featuring different animal  
species to help us  
rethink our relationship  
with nature.

## Don't Blame the Pangolin

NATURE  
HOLDS  
THE KEY  
TO ALL OUR  
FUTURES



Le pangolin a son propre système de défense : face au danger, il se met en boule. Le mot pangolin vient d'ailleurs du malais *pang goling*, qui signifie « celui qui s'enroule ». La femelle est capable de s'enrouler autour de son petit pour le protéger.

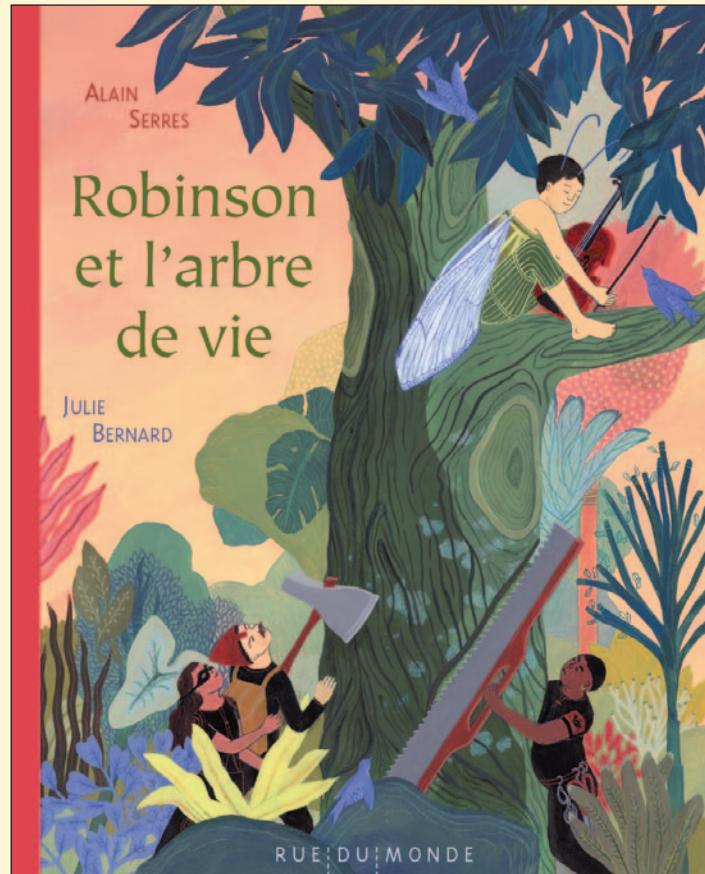
Le pangolin est l'un des rares mammifères à écailles. Celles-ci se superposent à la manière des ardoises sur un toit. Cette véritable armure représente 20 % du poids du pangolin ! Les écailles poussent en permanence pour compenser leur usure. Le pangolin peut aussi les hérissier, pour se défendre... ou pour se secouer et se débarrasser des insectes qui se seraient glissés dessous !

Le pangolin a peu de prédateurs naturels. Les lions, les tigres, les léopards et les hyènes peuvent tenter de le prendre en chasse, mais, face à un pangolin qui s'est roulé en boule, ils abandonnent souvent la partie. Les principaux prédateurs du pangolin sont en fait... les humains. Pour échapper aux braconniers, se mettre en boule est une défense si dérisoire...

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*Forget fake news, fantasies and stereotypes.  
Learn about the pangolin's true nature.*

All the power of pictures and storytelling  
is used to combat deforestation.



Age 6+ and for everyone, 40 pages

28 x 35 cm

Korean rights sold

## Robinson and the Tree of Life

*Alain Serres*

*Julie Bernard*



- Robinson **the violinist is half-child, half-cricket.** He lives in the forest at the centre of the earth, home to trees that can laugh and play the flute.
- But the murderous woodcutters, the “Bûchetrons” **only care about the wood they can extract from the forest, which they use to make the most terrible of weapons.** Robinson manages to set it alight.
- When they lock Robinson in a cage so they can sell the mirrors from the memory tree, **Robinson’s violin playing shatters the bars.**
- With the help of the root people, Robinson **keeps the three remaining forest trees safe.** They will act like the sail of a flimsy boat, on a voyage to save the forest. Where will Robinson’s violin song sail to next?

# Robinson and the Tree of Life



*300 years after the publication of Robinson Crusoe  
comes a tribute dedicated to protecting nature,  
with half-child, half-cricket Robinson.*

Let's save the planet



## I Will Be the Eyes of the Earth

Photos : Altitude agency  
Alain Serres / Zaü

War, equality, energy - what do these terms mean? Find out with this dictionary of 100 key words, which has been a great success story for Rue du monde.

Age 7+ and for everyone, 112 pages  
28.7 x 20 cm

Rights sold : Chinese (Simplified Characters), Greek, Korean,



## You Will Be the Eyes of the Sea

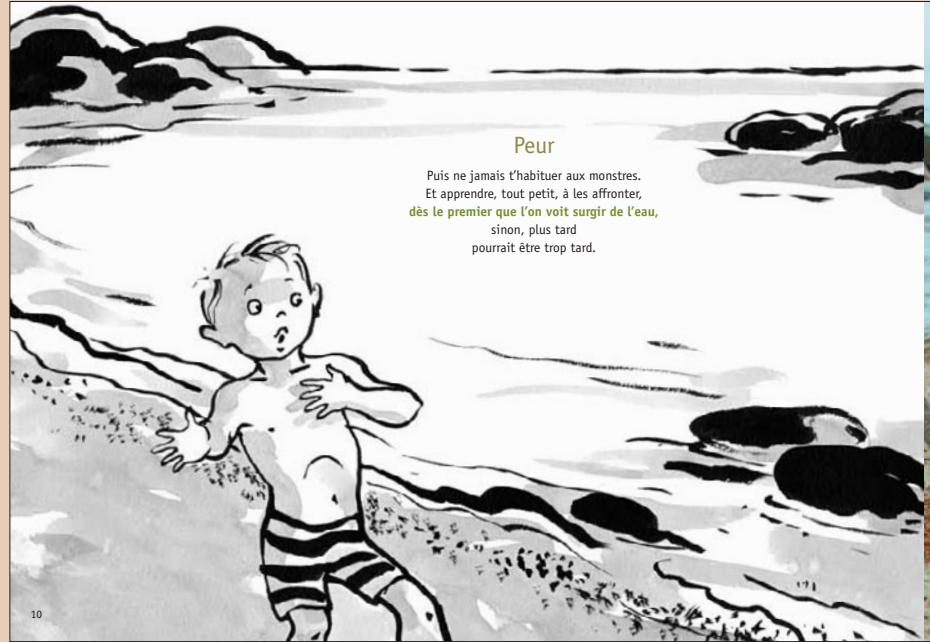
Alain Serres / Zaü

Colour photos, pen-and-ink drawings, short articles – a wealth of artistic responses to the state of the oceans, rivers and streams. A wake-up call tackling the biggest question facing children today: how do we stop the damage before it's too late? Beautiful, creative and essential reading.

Age 7+ and for everyone, 96 pages  
28.7 x 20 cm

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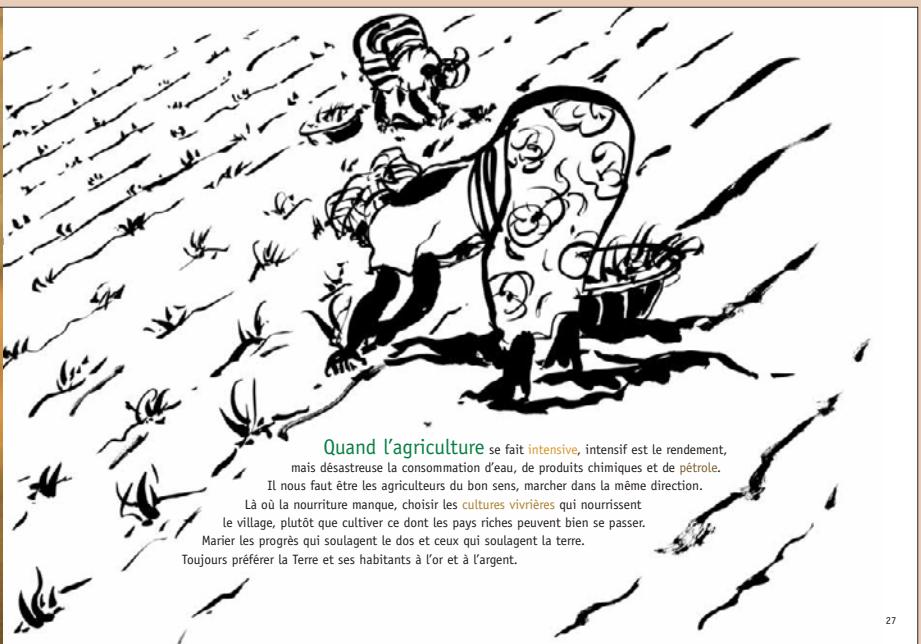
# Let's save the planet



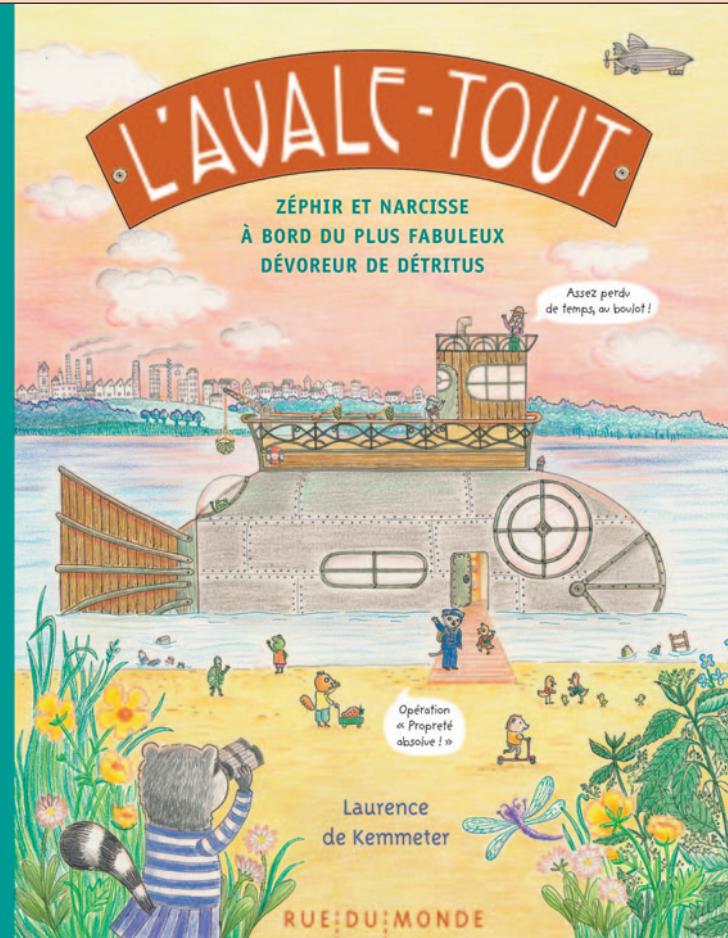
You Will  
Be the  
Eyes of  
the Sea



I Will Be  
the Eyes  
of the  
Earth



Thrills, smiles  
and ecology



Clear up your rubbish!  
The Devour-all is coming.  
Thrills guaranteed  
for early readers.

## THE DEVOUR-ALL

Laurence de Kemmeter

- This fish-shaped steel giant is casting off for the **'Big clean-up', the 36th operation** of its kind!
- Céleste the duck and Zéphir the frog **go fishing for rubbish**, with the help of the entire crew. Plastic bags, bottles, tyres, toys – nothing can escape the gaping mouth of the Devour-All.
- Their aim is to **clean up the river and take the items collected to Recycle City** to give them a second life.
- But, during the expedition, **two of the passengers are surreptitiously planning a brilliant stunt.**

They organise a secret workshop, and we eventually find out about operation 'Bloom-bloom': the small animals of the Devour-all are going to throw 'seed bombs' at the walls of neighbouring buildings to sow plants and . . . **the desire to change the world!**

Age 6+, 48 pages, 28 x 35 cm

- **Korean rights sold**



Faster, Prosper!  
It's going to swallow us!



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Three  
hard-hitting  
series



# Children's rights

Yes, children are entitled to express their anger at the damage being done to the planet or when the world is unjust.

## NEWFLASH: 3 UPBEAT PICTURE BOOKS ON CHILDREN'S RIGHTS ISSUES FOR 5 TO 9 YEAR-OLDS

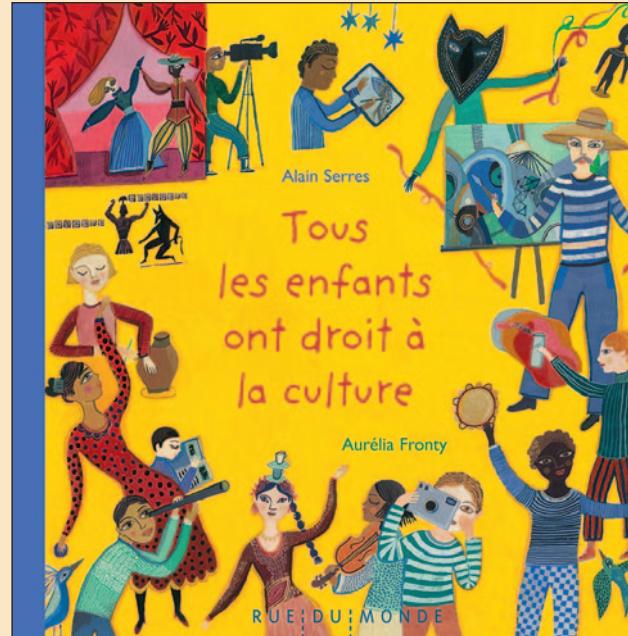


### I HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAVE MY PLANET

*Alain Serres / Aurélia Fronty*

I have the right to be a child who's curious about nature's mysteries. I love trees, I care about the animal world and the climate. I also want to dream of a beautiful future for the amazing blue planet where I was born.

Age 5+, 48 pages, 26 x 26 cm



### ALL CHILDREN HAVE THE RIGHT TO CULTURE

*Alain Serres / Aurélia Fronty*

This picture book suggests to children that fundamental rights are fulfilled when we can also sing, dance, paint and visit museums together, while we reflect on who we are.

Age 5+, 48 pages, 26 x 26 cm



### I HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE A CHILD

*Alain Serres / Aurélia Fronty*

With simple words and poetic images, the principal rights of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child are explained for the youngest readers. This Rue du monde success story has been translated in 15 countries, including Russia, China, the US, Iran, Turkey and Brazil.

Age 5+, 48 pages, 26 x 26 cm

# tip tap

Tip-tap, tip-tap,  
with tiny steps  
I go out into the world

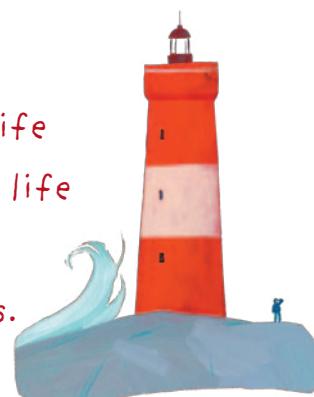


J. Gueyfier

One image on  
the left, one on the right  
and the reader  
discovers a pair  
of conflicting  
situations in dialogue  
with one another...

Rights sold:  
Simplified  
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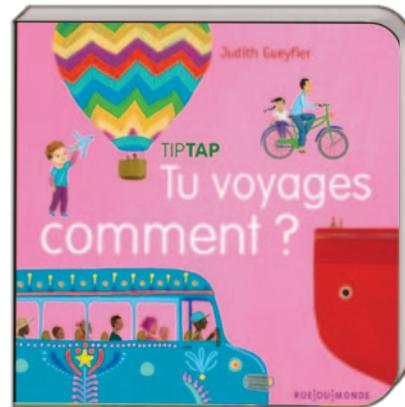
The diverse ways of life  
on the planet come to life  
under the inquisitive  
gaze of 2-4 year-olds.



All alone

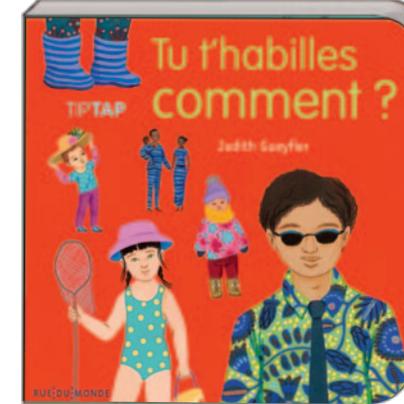
A series by  
Judith Gueyfier

Age 18 months+  
22 pages, 15 x 15 cm  
Board books



HOW DO YOU TRAVEL?

WHICH IS YOUR FAVOURITE TREE?

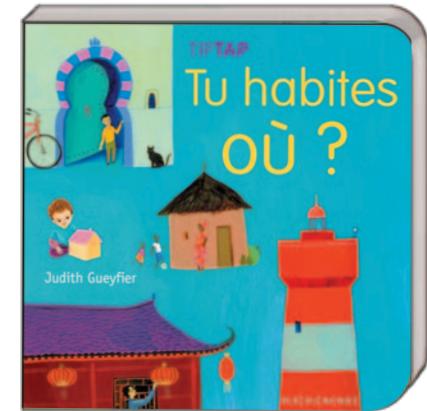
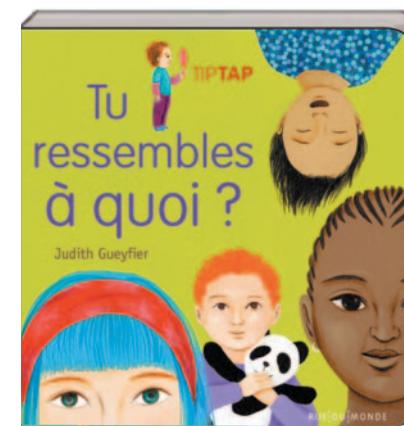


WHAT DO YOU WEAR?

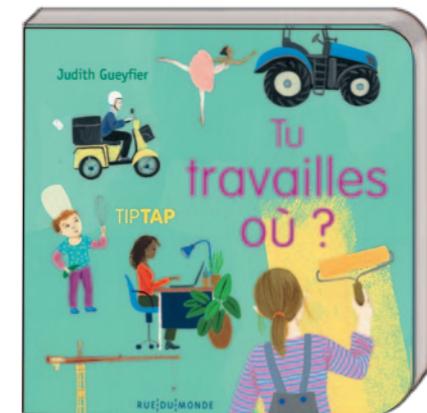


In family

WE DON'T ALL LOOK ALIKE!



WHERE DO YOU LIVE?



WHERE DO YOU WORK?

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## BEN AND THE WOLF

Raphaële Frier  
Solenne Larnicol

Ben can't stand living with his old uncle in his grotty shack any more. He sets off to live in the forest alongside the trees and the animals. There's a lot of work to do, not to mention the fears and dangers he must face, but there is so much to explore and discover too!



## WHAT'S-HIS-NAME

Hubert Ben Kemoun

Véronique Joffre

The villagers can't pronounce his name. They treat him badly because he's from elsewhere.

But this man will soon become

indispensable to them. Even so, they decide to send him off to war.



## TOTEMKILI New titles

A. Griot



and always finds amazing places.

## NAO'S COURAGE

Michel Piquemal  
Zaü

The raging river has carried off Sian, Nao's little sister. Set in long-ago prehistoric times, the boy disobeys

the shaman's orders and sets off in search of his sister.



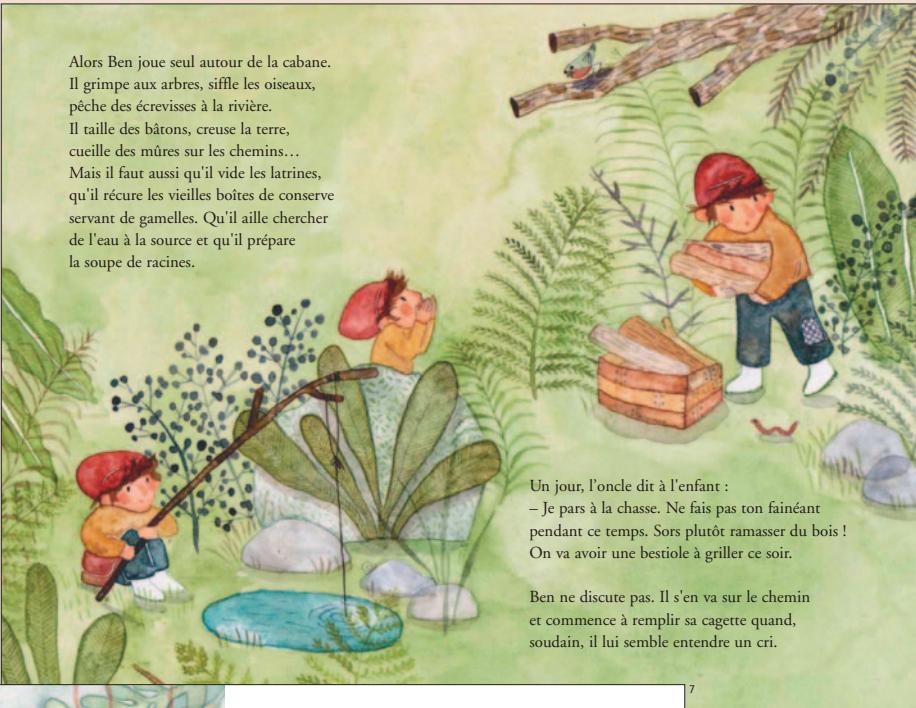
## THE TOTEMKILI SERIES

A series for early readers exploring the world and major global issues. Highly illustrated paperback books, with four pages of information related to the book's theme at the end.

## THE DAY I LIVED IN THE JUNGLE

Alain Serres / Anna Griot

This family doesn't have a house. So, every night, they must look for somewhere to sleep. But with their son around, it's easy. He has lots of imagination



*Totemkili : highly illustrated, 32-pages stories, with 6 pages of factual information*

**Des animaux en guise de parents ?**

Depuis Romulus et Rémus, les fondateurs légendaires de Rome élevés par une louve, des histoires d'« enfants sauvages » racontent comment ceux-ci ont été élevés par des chiens, des singes ou des loups... Ces récits ont souvent été imaginés à partir de faits divers : enfants égarés ou en fuite à la suite de violences.

**Des sociétés d'enfants ?**

Des expériences ont été menées pour éduquer les enfants dans l'esprit de liberté, avec des droits et des responsabilités partagés. Ainsi, entre 1912 et 1942, dans l'orphelinat créé par Janusz Korczak, en Pologne, les enfants définissaient ensemble les règles de vie et la répartition des tâches. C'était un « Tribunal des enfants » qui jugeait les fautes des plus jeunes comme celles des adultes.

**Des animaux qui s'adaptent à l'humain**

Le chat, le chien, le cheval, la chèvre... Nos animaux proches avaient tous des ancêtres sauvages que les humains ont domestiqués au fil des siècles en sélectionnant à chaque génération les plus dociles. D'autres, comme les pigeons, les goélands ou les souris, vivent librement près des humains pour bénéficier de leur nourriture.

**Les loups en France**

Les loups, autrefois présents partout en France, ont été peu à peu exterminés. En 1937, on estimait qu'il n'en restait plus aucun dans le pays. Mais, depuis le début des années 1990, ils ont reconquis les Alpes et une partie des massifs montagneux.

**Protégés ou menacés ?**

On compterait aujourd'hui environ 500 loups en France, protégés par des lois européennes. Ils sont pourtant souvent menacés, tout comme les ours, parce que des éleveurs jugent leur présence incompatible avec la sécurité de leurs troupeaux. Des associations défendent ces animaux sauvages.

**Leur mode de vie**

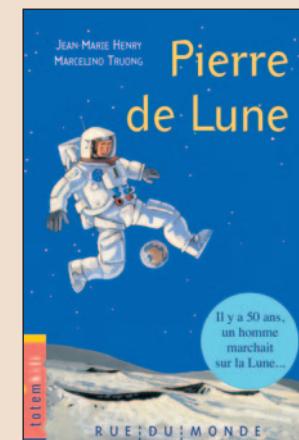
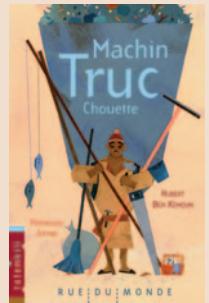
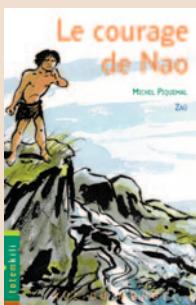
Les loups vivent en groupes familiaux, appelés « meutes ». Celles-ci se composent d'un couple dominant reproducteur et de ses jeunes de l'année, plus parfois un ou deux jeunes des années précédentes.

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# TOTEMKILI

## The entire collection

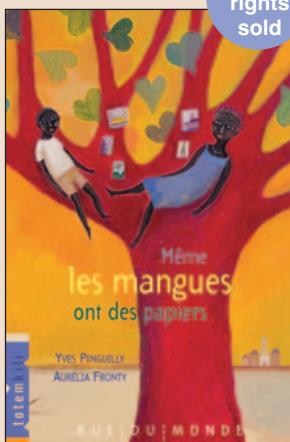
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**PETER GOES TO THE MOON**

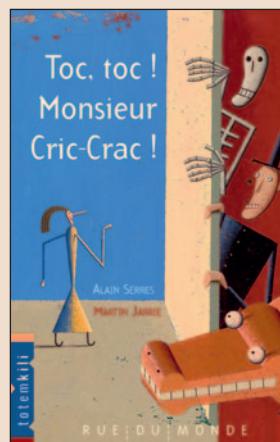
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**EVEN MANGOES HAVE PAPERS**

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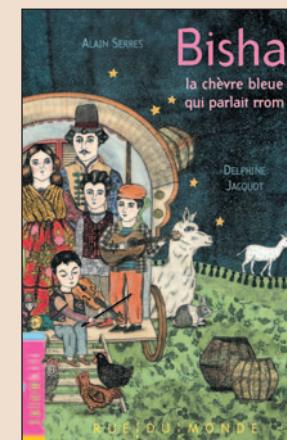
**KNOCK, KNOCK!  
MR CREAK-CLICK!**

A. Serres  
M. Jarrie



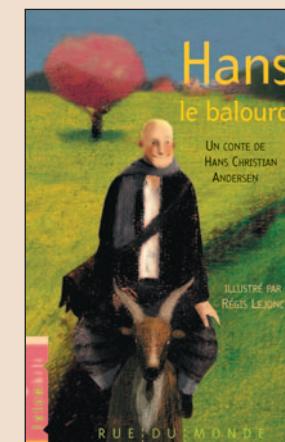
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R. Lejonc



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**TONIGHT, MOTHER,  
I'LL BRING YOU  
THE SEA**

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