

## *Francine Poulet Meets The Ghost Raccoon: Tales From Deckawoo Drive, Volume Two*

*When she confronts a screaming raccoon that may or may not be a ghost, animal control officer Francine Poulet questions her abilities.*

*Bub, everyone's favorite pug, and his human, Bella, are back in their fourth Branches chapter book! Pick a book. Grow a Reader! This series is part of Scholastic's early chapter book line, Branches, aimed at newly independent readers. With easy-to-read text, high-interest content, fast-paced plots, and illustrations on every page, these books will boost reading confidence and stamina. Branches books help readers grow! Bub's human, Bella, is putting on a pet talent show! Bub can't wait to wow the audience with his skateboarding stunts, not to mention his snazzy costume. But when dress rehearsal doesn't go as planned, Bub finds that it's up to him -- and his archenemy Duchess the cat -- to make things right. Can he and Duchess work together to make sure the show goes on? With full-color artwork throughout, this funny and charming diary-format early chapter book is perfect for anyone who believes a furry pal is the best kind of friend.*

*"Hoot the owl is excited to teach his younger sister all of his wisdom--but much to his annoyance, Peep is more interested in capturing the magic of the world around her than in listening to his advice"--*

*She longed for adventure. So she left her home and ventured out into the wide world. The pleasures and perils she met proved plentiful: marauding pirates on the majestic seas, a ferocious lion under the bright lights of the big top, a mysterious stranger in an exotic and bustling bazaar. Yet in the face of such daunting danger, our heroine . . . She was brave. She was fearless. She was feathered. She was a chicken. A not-so-chicken chicken. Her name?*

*3 Books in 1*

*3 Adventures on Deckawoo Drive*

*Soccer on Sunday*

*Franklin Endicott and the Third Key*

*Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume Two*

*When the elves discover that Santa's sleigh is in a terrible state, they let their imaginations go wild—and soon there are sleighs of every kind, inspired by big rigs, motorcycles, zeppelins, and much more! The #1 New York Times bestselling author of Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site and the celebrated illustrator of Michael Chabon's The Astonishing Secret of Awesome Man team up for spirited vehicular silliness and classic Christmas cheer in this turbo-charged read-aloud destined to become a classic. Plus, this is the fixed format version, which looks almost identical to the print edition.*

*On George Washington's seventh birthday, he does chores, misbehaves, and dreams of a day when his birthday will be celebrated by all.*

*Let the Super Tiny Ghost share family values with you and your children this fall!*

*“The verse is sprightly, but the pictures are the true stunners.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) When a circus ship runs aground off the coast of Maine, the poor animals are left on their own, but they soon win over the wary townspeople with their kind, courageous ways. So well do the critters blend in that when the greedy circus owner returns to claim them, villagers of all species conspire to outsmart the bloated blowhard. With buoyant rhymes and brilliantly caricatured illustrations evoking the early nineteenth century, Chris Van Dusen presents a hugely entertaining tale about the bonds of community?—?and a hidden-pictures spread for eagle-eyed readers of all ages.*

*The Weeping Werewolf*

*Louise, The Adventures of a Chicken*

*The Nerd to Ninja Pack!*

*George Washington's Birthday*

Francine Poulet Meets the Ghost Raccoon Candlewick Press

To finish summer swimming lessons, Eugene brings out his superhero alter ego, Captain Awesome, to confront the "Blobby Blob-Blob" at the deep end of the pool.

Two roller-skating best friends--one tiny, one tall--share three comical adventures involving outrageously bright socks, an impromptu trek to the Andes, and a most unlikely marvelous companion.

Rosa Maria spends the week getting ready for her granddaughter's birthday party and trying to avoid attracting mice--unaware that the mice in her walls are preparing for a party of their own.

*Mercy Watson to the Rescue*

*Woodpecker Wham!*

*The 12 Sleights of Christmas*

*Captain Awesome Takes a Dive*

*Bink & Gollie*

Polly loves words. And she loves writing stories. So when a magic book appears on her doorstep that can make everything she writes happen in real life, Polly is certain all of her dreams are about to come true. But she soon learns that what you write and what you mean are not always the same thing! Funny and touching, this new chapter book series will entertain readers and inspire budding writers.

What if timid Baby Lincoln broke free of her bossy sister and set off on an unexpected journey? Kate DiCamillo presents a touching new adventure set in Mercy Watson's world. Baby Lincoln's older sister, Eugenia, is very fond of telling Baby what to do, and Baby usually responds by saying "Yes, Sister." But one day Baby has had enough. She decides to depart on a Necessary Journey, even though she has never gone anywhere without Eugenia telling her what to take and where to go. And in fact Baby doesn't know where she is headed -- only that she was entirely happy in the previous night's dream, sitting aboard a train with a view of shooting stars. Who might Baby meet as she strikes out on her own, and what could she discover about herself? Will her impulsive adventure take her away from Eugenia for good?

"Halloween was made for carefree Mercy Watson." □ School Library Journal Features an audio read-along! When the Watsons decide to zip their porcine wonder into a formfitting princess dress for Halloween □ complete with tiara □ they are certain that Mercy will be beautiful beyond compare. Mercy is equally certain she likes the sound of trick-or-treating and can picture piles of buttered toast already. As for the Lincoln Sisters next door, how could they know that their cat would lead them all on a Halloween "parade" of hysterical proportions? Kate DiCamillo's beguiling pig is back in a tale full of treats, tricky turns, hijinks, and high humor.

When Edward accompanies Moongobble into the Forest of Night to prove he is a magician of merit by obtaining the tears of a werewolf, he does not know what big surprises are in store for them.

The Tiger Rising

Hoot and Peep

A Mostly True Tale

The Invisible Boy

**Chester Raccoon and the Acorn Full of Memories**

The NEW YORK TIMES best-selling porcine wonder finds herself behind the wheel in this hilarious adventure now available as an e-book. (Ages 6 - 8) Features an audio read-along! Mr. and Mrs. Watson's porcine wonder, Mercy, loves nothing more than a ride in the car. It takes a fair amount of nudging and bribing and a "You are such a good sport, darling" to get the portly pig out of the driver's seat, but once the convertible is on the road, Mercy loves the feel of the wind tickling her ears and the sun on her snout. One day the Watsons' motoring ritual takes an unexpected turn, however, when their elderly neighbor Baby Lincoln pops up in the backseat in hopes of some "folly and adventure" - and in the chaos that ensues, an exuberant Mercy ends up behind the wheel! Soon there's a policeman on her tail, a struggle for the brake, and a blissfully airborne Mercy. Of course, it's nothing that an extra helping of buttered toast can't fix! Includes an audio read along!

Metaphor alert! An ode to a certain pig kicks off one wild school day in Kate DiCamillo's latest stop on Deckawoo Drive. Stella Endicott loves her teacher, Miss Liliana, and she is thrilled when the class is assigned to write a poem. Stella crafts a beautiful poem about Mercy Watson, the pig who lives next door - a poem complete with a metaphor and full of curiosity and courage. But Horace Broom, Stella's irritating classmate, insists that Stella's poem is full of lies and that pigs do not live in houses. And when Stella and Horace get into a shouting match in the classroom, Miss Liliana banishes them to the principal's office. Will the two of them find a way to turn this opposite-of-a-poem day around? In the newest spirited outing in the Deckawoo Drive series by Kate DiCamillo, anything is possible - even a friendship with a boy deemed to be (metaphorically speaking) an overblown balloon.

Deckawoo Drive's intrepid animal control officer meets her match-or does she? A funny, heartfelt, and fast-paced romp from Kate DiCamillo. Francine Poulet is the greatest animal control officer in Gizzford County. She hails from a long line of animal control officers. She's battled snakes, outwitted

squirrels, and stared down a bear. "The genuine article," Francine's dad always called her. She is never scared - until, that is, she's faced with a screaming raccoon that may or may not be a ghost. Maybe Francine isn't cut out to be an animal control officer after all! But the raccoon is still on the loose, and the folks on Deckawoo Drive need Francine back. Can she face her fears, round up the raccoon, and return to the ranks of animal control? Join a cast of familiar characters - Frank, Stella, Mrs. Watson, and Mercy the porcine wonder - for some riotous raccoon wrangling on Deckawoo Drive.

Tom Gates, master of excuses, expert doodler and hilarious story writer is back -- and making the most of his holiday! No school for two whole weeks leaves Tom with tons of time for the important things in life. He can forget all about school and the irritating Marcus Meldrew, and save his energy for the good stuff! Stuff like: inventing new ways to annoy his sister Delia (so many); band practice for the Dogzombies (rock stars in the making!); watching TV and eating caramel wafers; eating caramel wafers and watching TV. Excellent. Of course, he still has to do his book report for Mr. Keen... Full of Tom's honest, silly, laugh-out-loud funny scribbles and stories -- and a doodle-filled glossary to help Canadian kids make sense of British terms (what IS a caramel wafer, anyway?) -- this follow-up to the Roald Dahl Funny Prize winner The Brilliant World of Tom Gates is guaranteed to have readers in stitches!

Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume Five

Mice and Beans

Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume One

The Super Tiny Ghost

The Magician's Elephant

***The first adventure of this NEW YORK TIMES best-selling porcine wonder is now available as an e-book. (Ages 6 - 8) Features an audio read-along! To Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Mercy is not just a pig - she's a porcine wonder. And to the portly and good-natured Mercy, the Watsons are an excellent source of buttered toast, not to mention that buttery-toasty feeling she gets when she snuggles into bed with them. This is not, however, so good for the Watsons' bed. BOOM! CRACK! As the bed and its occupants slowly sink through the floor, Mercy escapes in a flash - "to alert the fire department," her owners assure themselves. But could Mercy possibly have another emergency in mind - like a sudden craving for their neighbors' sugar cookies? Welcome to the wry and endearing world of Mercy Watson - an ebullient new character for early chapter-book readers in a series that's destined to be a classic.***

***Detectives Wilcox and Griswold investigate the snatching of Miss Rabbit's carrot cake on Ed's farm.***

***"Youngsters are sure to delight in the exploits of this butter-loving pig, savoring the 'wonky in the extreme' text and energetic, innocent art." -School Library Journal Features an audio read-along! Some may find it wonky to***

**take a pig to the drive-in. But not the Watsons, who think the movie's title, When Pigs Fly, is inspirational. And not their beloved Mercy, who is inspired by the scent of real butter from the theater's Bottomless Buckets of popcorn. As they pull up in their convertible, Mercy lifts up her snout and becomes a pig on a mission, leading a delirious chase that's trailed by hapless rescuers reunited from Mercy's earlier adventures.**

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**Mercy Watson: Princess in Disguise**

**Stella Endicott and the Anything-Is-Possible Poem**

**Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume Four**

**Lark Holds the Key**

**Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume Six**

Swoop and land. Hitch and hop. Shred a tree stump. Chop, chip, chop! Enter woodpecker world and get a bird's eye view of everything from hiding from hawks, feeding hungry chicks, and drilling holes to build homes. Woodpeckers are nature's home builders, creating many other animals live in when the woodpeckers move on. A variety of woodpecker species fly through these pages-perhaps near you!

The first three tales of Kate DiCamillo's hilarious and heartfelt Deckawoo Drive series are collected in a convenient, affordable book. Dive into a spin-off series starring favorite characters from Kate DiCamillo's New York Times best-selling Mercy Watson books: it's bumbling cowboy Leroy Ninker getting his first horse, Animal Control Officer Francine Poulet wrangling raccoons, or sweet Lincoln striking out on her own, the characters of Deckawoo Drive are sure to enchant early readers. Included are: Leroy Ninker Saddles Up, Francine Poulet Meets the Ghost Raccoon, and Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln?

What will it take for a cynical older sister to realize she's a born accordion player — with music in her heart? Eugenia Lincoln is a person with no time for gee-gaws, whoop-de-whoops, or frivolity. When an unexpected package containing an accordion arrives at her house, she is determined to have nothing to do with it. But her plans to sell the accordion, destroy the accordion, or give the accordion all end in frustration. How can Eugenia stop being tormented by this troublesome package — and could she discover that a bit of frivolity might actually be surprisingly . . . joyous?

The third chapter book sequel to *The Year of the Book* and *The Year of the Baby*, eleven-year-old Anna takes a trip to China and learns more about herself and her Chinese heritage.

*Ghosts Don't Ride Bikes, Do They?*

*Leroy Ninker Saddles Up*

*Francine Poulet Meets the Ghost Raccoon*

*Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln?*

### A Piglet Named Mercy

Nelsons a nerd. Unfit, uncool . . . totally awkward! But when he wakes up on his tenth birthday, he discovers hes a Ninja! The last ninja on earth! Hows he going to save the world when he cant even get his undies on the right way? Includes: Ninja Kid #1: From Nerd to Ninja, Ninja Kid #2: Flying Ninja and Ninja Kid #3: Ninja Switch!

The latest tale from Deckawoo Drive—and New York Times best-selling creators Kate DiCamillo and Chris Van Dusen—is a balm for young worrywarts facing the unknown. Welcome back to Deckawoo Drive for a sixth endearing installment in the companion series to Kate DiCamillo’s New York Times best-selling Mercy Watson books. Frank Endicott is a worrier. He worries about lions, submarines, black holes, leprosy, and armadillos. He lists his worries alphabetically in a notebook and suffers vivid nightmares that even a certain neighborhood pig can’t dispatch. When he accompanies Eugenia Lincoln on an errand to duplicate a key at her favorite dark and dusty thrift shop, Frank earns fresh cause for alarm. Odd Buddy Lamp, the shop’s proprietor, has sent them home with the original key and its copy. Can Frank come to terms with the mystery without buckling under his mounting dread? With a little help from friends (old and new), hot cocoa, and some classic short stories read aloud, the prognosis is good.

Yippie-i-oh! Saddle up for the first in a spin-off series starring favorite characters from Kate DiCamillo’s New York Times best-selling Mercy Watson books. Leroy Ninker has a hat, a lasso, and boots. What he doesn’t have is a horse – until he meets Maybelline, that is, and then it’s love at first sight. Maybelline loves spaghetti and sweet nothings, and she loves Leroy, too. But when Leroy forgets the third and final rule of caring for Maybelline, disaster ensues. Can Leroy wrestle fate to the ground, rescue the horse of his heart, and lasso loneliness for good? Join Leroy, Maybelline, and a cast of familiar characters – Stella, Frank, Mrs. Watson, and everyone’s favorite porcine wonder, Mercy – for some hilarious and heartfelt horsing around on Deckawoo Drive.

Desmond and Andres are in for a bike-riding adventure in the second book of the Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol chapter book series! Welcome to Kersville, a town with a spooky history and a collection of ghosts and spirits who are major mischief-makers. Most kids spend their days without ever seeing or dealing with a ghost, but some kids get stuck with a haunt. When that happens, they call Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol. There’s no job too spooky, icky, or risky for Desmond. I’m not like that at all. My name’s Andres Miedoso. I’m Desmond’s best friend and ghost patrol partner. So when Desmond and I are called to track down a ghost on wheels, Desmond is sure that ghosts don’t ride bikes. Here’s why: they float everywhere. Makes sense, right? But if there’s one thing I’ve learned during my Ghost Patrol days, it’s this: Never tell a ghost what they can or can’t do. With easy-to-read language and illustrations on almost every page, the Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol chapter books are perfect for emerging readers.

### The Year of the Fortune Cookie

### Mercy Watson Thinks Like a Pig

Tales from Deckawoo Drive, Volume Three

Mercy Watson: Something Wonky This Way Comes

Pug's Got Talent: A Branches Book (Diary of a Pug #4)

***When ten-year-old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller in the marketplace one day and she tells him that his sister, who is presumed dead, is in fact alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures as he desperately tries to find her.***

***Can Mercy Watson outwit . . . Animal Control? The porcine wonder's on the lam in her latest tongue-in-snout adventure! Features an audio read-along! Mercy's appetite has got her into trouble again. When Eugenia Lincoln's pansies go missing, Animal Control Officer Francine Poulet arrives on the scene. But as she soon discovers, not just anyone can think like a pig. Especially when that pig is porcine wonder Mercy Watson! Chester Raccoon's good friend Skiddel Squirrel has had an accident and will not be returning - ever. Chester is upset that he won't get to play with his friend anymore. Mrs. Raccoon suggests that Chester and his friends create some memories of Skiddel, so that they will have good memories when they miss him. Chester, his brother Ronny, and their friends decide to gather at the pond, where they combine their memories and create a touching celebration of their friend's life. Many young children must face the loss of loved ones or the need to attend a funeral. This sweet story will help children to understand the positive purpose behind memorial services and how "making memories" can provide cheer and comfort when missing an absent loved one. Every porcine wonder was once a piglet! Celebrate the joy of a new arrival with this endearing picture-book prequel to the New York Times best-selling Mercy Watson series. Mr. Watson and Mrs. Watson live ordinary lives. Sometimes their lives feel a bit too ordinary. Sometimes they wish something different would happen. And one day it does, when someone unpredictable finds her way to their front door. In a delightful origin story for the star of the Mercy Watson series, a tiny piglet brings love (and chaos) to Deckawoo Drive -- and the Watsons' lives will never be the same.***

***The Circus Ship***

***Ninja Kid***

***Excellent Excuses (And Other Good Stuff)***

***Eugenia Lincoln and the Unexpected Package***

***Book 1***

***A gentle story that teaches how small acts of kindness can help children feel included and allow them to flourish, from esteemed author and speaker Trudy Ludwig and acclaimed illustrator Patrice Barton. A simple act of kindness can transform an invisible boy into a friend... Meet Brian, the invisible boy. Nobody in class ever seems to notice him or think to include him in their group, game, or birthday party . . . until, that is, a new kid comes to class. When Justin, the new boy, arrives, Brian is the first to make him feel welcome. And when Brian and Justin team up to work on a class project together, Brian finds a way to shine. Any parent, teacher, or counselor looking for material that sensitively addresses the***

*needs of quieter children will find **The Invisible Boy** a valuable and important resource. Includes a discussion guide and resources for further reading.*

*It's the third day of summer vacation, and Lark's halmoni—that's Korean for grandmother—has promised to take Lark and her twin brother, Connor, to the library. Only trouble is, they arrive to discover that the town librarian is missing her key to the library. Lucky for her, Lark just happens to be a budding private eye. Can rookie detectives Lark and Connor solve this mystery and recover the lost key? **Lark Holds The Key** is the first book in the Lark Ba detective series.*

*A National Book Award finalist by Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo. Walking through the misty Florida woods one morning, twelve-year-old Rob Horton is stunned to encounter a tiger—a real-life, very large tiger—pacing back and forth in a cage. What's more, on the same extraordinary day, he meets Sistine Bailey, a girl who shows her feelings as readily as Rob hides his. As they learn to trust each other, and ultimately, to be friends, Rob and Sistine prove that some things—like memories, and heartache, and tigers—can't be locked up forever. Featuring a new cover illustration by Stephen Walton and an excerpt of Kate DiCamillo's newest novel, **Raymie Nightingale**.*

*A Very Haunted Thanksgiving, Coloring Book Edition*

*Polly Diamond and the Magic Book*

*A Wilcox and Griswold Mystery: the Case of the Missing Carrot Cake*

*Mercy Watson Goes for a Ride*