

The Kissing Hand The Kissing Hand Series

"Are we almost there?" Chester Raccoon asked his mother. Chester is excited about going to his very first sleepover. After his mother drops him off at Pepper Opossum's house with a Kissing Hand in his palm, Chester and his animal friends have a long day of playing games and eating snacks. But when the animals decide to bed down, Chester can't go to sleep. While his Kissing Hand has kept him from getting scared, he isn't in his own bedroom, and he misses his family. When Chester returns home, Mrs. Raccoon welcomes her little cub and reassures him that his home is always there when he needs it. Young readers will enjoy reading about the party fun and take comfort when Chester finds himself in a situation they can relate to. The sun is up, it's time for little Chester Raccoon to go to bed, but he is frightened by the shadows the sun is creating on the walls. Mrs. Raccoon soothes him with a Kissing Hand, and he is able to go to sleep. This sweet and decidedly unscary board book is both a light-hearted way to calm children's fears at bedtime, along with a gentle introduction to Chester Raccoon and the Kissing Hand for the younger child. Funny illustrations will gentle the scary-looking shadows in a bedroom.

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.

Celebrate graduation and achievements big or small with The Little Engine That Could! The determined Little Blue Engine is back, bringing inspiring and enlightening words of wisdom to graduates of all ages as they make the transition from one phase of life to the next. I Knew You Could! provides familiar comfort in changing times and serves as a wonderful gift that will be treasured for years to come. Readers will revisit the story again and again as they move forward along life's path. From "I think I can" to "I knew I could," The Little Engine That Could helps kids of all ages realize that anything is possible if you just put your mind to it!

See-Through Marriage

My Cousin Rachel

Chester Raccoon and the Almost Perfect Sleepover

You Get What You Get

How Do You Hug a Porcupine?

In The 5 Love Languages, you will discover the secret that has transformed millions of relationships worldwide. Whether your relationship is flourishing or failing, Dr. Gary Chapman s proven approach to showing and receiving love will help you experience deeper and richer levels of intimacy with your partner starting today.

Strange new teacher. Strange new toys. Lots of kids and lots of noise! What would Llama like to do? Llama Llama feels so new . . . It's Llama Llama's first day of preschool! And Llama Llama's mama makes sure he's ready. They meet the teachers. See the other children. Look at all the books and games. But then it's time for Mama to leave. And suddenly Llama Llama isn't so excited anymore. Will Mama Llama come back? Of course she will. But before she does, the other children show Llama Llama how much fun school can be! Activities for Llama Llama Misses Mama by Anna Dewdney Watch a Video

As they prepare for a short separation, Mama Bear and Little Bear find a way to reassure each other while they are apart.

A bind-up book comprising all seven of the heartwarming Kissing Hand picture books by New York Times bestselling author Audrey Penn is perfect for gift-giving. Twenty-five years ago, Audrey Penn wrote The Kissing Hand featuring Chester Raccoon and his loving mother, Mrs. Raccoon, who shares a family secret called The Kissing Hand to give Chester the reassurance of her love any time his world feels a little scary. Through the years, Chester has encountered numerous situations where he must be brave, resilient, and kind - all attributes children learn and nurture as they grow. Issues covered in this series include starting school, a new sibling, moving, bullying, bravery, grief and memorial services, and a first sleepover. Now, Chester's adventures are available together for the first time. The perfect gift for a child new to or familiar with The Kissing Hand, this never-before-assembled collection is also a gift that will keep giving. As your child encounters these common situations, Chester is there to share his experiences and offer a positive perspective for both children and parents.

Experiencing the Freedom and Joy of Being Fully Known and Fully Loved

Llama Llama Misses Mama

The Kiss Box

A Disney Hyperion E-book With Audio

A Pocket Full of Kisses

In this new Kissing Hand board book, Audrey Penn brings us more maternal wisdom to solve another of early childhood's little issues. Whether on a trip, in a restaurant or a store, children can become bored and fussy. Chester's Favorite Game provides an activity that will entertain young children anywhere -- finding things in many colors: white, blue, yellow, red, orange, brown, and black.

In this tender sequel to the New York Times bestseller and children's classic The Kissing Hand, Audrey Penn provides parents with another tale of love and reassurance to share with their children. Chester Raccoon has a baby brother—and the baby brother is taking over his territory. When Chester sees his mother give his baby brother a Kissing Hand—his Kissing Hand—he is overcome with sadness, but Mrs. Raccoon soothes his fears with her own special brand of wisdom, finding just the right way to let Chester know he is deeply loved. Brought to life by Barbara Leonard Gibson's warm illustrations, this story is perfect for families who are adjusting to all the changes new members can bring.

School is starting in the forest, but Chester Raccoon does not want to go. To help ease Chester's fears, Mrs. Raccoon shares a family secret called the Kissing Hand to give him the reassurance of her love any time his world feels a little scary. Since its first publication in 1993, this heartwarming book has become a children's classic that has touched the lives of millions of children and their parents, especially at times of separation, whether starting school, entering daycare, or going to camp. It is widely used by kindergarten teachers on the first day of school. Stickers at the back will help children and their parents keep their Kissing Hand alive.

Animal and human fathers kiss in different ways, but they all show love.

Fierce Marriage

A Kiss Goodbye

From the Kissing Hand

Take a Kiss to School

The Five Love Languages

Digby's mother helps him make it through the second day of school by sending him off with a pocket full of kisses.

Daphne du Maurier's classic novel of lust, suspicion, and obsession that inspired major motion picture starring Rachel Weisz and Sam Claflin. Orphaned at an early age, Philip Ashley is raised by his benevolent older cousin, Ambrose. Resolutely single, Ambrose delights in Philip as his heir, and Philip grows to love Ambrose's grand estate as much as he does. But the cozy world the two construct is shattered when Ambrose sets off on a trip to Florence. There he falls in love and marries a mysterious distant cousin named Rachel -- and there he dies suddenly. Jealous of his marriage, racked by suspicion at the hints in Ambrose's letters, and grief-stricken by his death, Philip prepares to meet his cousin's widow with hatred in his heart. But when she arrives at the estate, Rachel seems to be a different woman from the one described in Ambrose's letters. Beautiful, sophisticated, and magnetic, Philip cannot help but feel drawn to Rachel. And yet, questions still linger: might she have had a hand in Ambrose's death? And how, exactly, did Ambrose die? As Philip pursues the answers to these questions, he realizes that his own fate could hang in the balance.

The New York Times-bestselling children's book series returns with The Pout-Pout Fish and the Mad, Mad Day. The Pout-Pout Fish's morning has been maddening and rough. Disappointments and frustrations—Mr. Fish has had enough! It's been one thing, then another, then another stacked on top. He's mad and getting madder. Is there any way to stop? Swim along with Mr. Fish as he faces his anger and gains new understandings. With a little help from his friends, he might just discover the healing power of words and self-compassion.

A young koala, longing to hear her mother speak lovingly to her as she did before other children came along, plans to win back her distracted parent's attention. Reprint.

Gutter Child

The Big Umbrella

I Knew You Could!

Chester Raccoon and the Acorn Full of Memories

Bats at the Beach

During the last 20 years, parents and teachers have passed along the secret of the Kissing Hand to children facing first days of kindergarten, first grade, and other separations. Now younger children can get in on Mama Raccoon's secret and find comfort in A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon, a board-book adaptation of the original picture book. Chester could feel his mother's kiss leap straight into his heart. "With a Kissing Hand," said Chester's mom, "We'll never be apart." "Just press your hand upon your cheek and feel that loving glow. It's Mommy saying, 'I love you,' wherever you may go." The Kissing Hand has become a children's classic that has touched the lives of millions of children and their parents. A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon conveys the heart of the story in rhyming verse, perfect for read-aloud and easy for even the little ones to remember and recite. With illustrations by Barbara Gibson that capture the warmth and beauty of the original artwork, toddlers now share in the benefits from Mrs. Raccoon's secret for making a child feel safe and secure.

After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother. On board pages.

NATIONAL BESTSELLER A fierce and illuminating debut from FOLD founder Jael Richardson about a young woman who must find the courage to determine her own future and secure her freedom Set in an imagined world in which the most vulnerable are forced to buy their freedom by working off their debt to society, Gutter Child uncovers a nation divided into the privileged Mainland and the policed Gutter. In this world, Elimina Dubois is one of only 100 babies taken from the Gutter and raised in the land of opportunity as part of a social experiment led by the Mainland government. But when her Mainland mother dies, Elimina finds herself all alone, a teenager forced into an unfamiliar life of servitude, unsure of who she is and where she belongs. Elimina is sent to an academy with new rules and expectations where she befriends Gutter children who are making their own way through the Gutter System in whatever ways they know how. When Elimina's life takes another unexpected turn, she will discover that what she needs more than anything may not be the freedom she longs for after all. Richardson's Gutter Child reveals one young woman's journey through a fractured world of heartbreaking disadvantages and shocking injustices. Elimina is a modern heroine in an altered but all too recognizable reality who must find the strength within herself to forge her future and defy a system that tries to shape her destiny.

On a night when the moon can grow no fatter, bats pack their moon-tan lotion, blankets, banjos, and baskets of treats and fly off for some fun where the foamy sea and soft sand meet. 15,000 first printing.

Stellaluna

The Pout-Pout Fish and the Mad, Mad Day

The Kissing Game

The Berenstain Bears Visit the Firehouse

Mother Bruce

"Why can't people live on the moon?" "Can I be president when I grow up?" "What makes a person good?" These are just some of the questions that bubble forth from one little girl with twinkling eyes and a curious mind. When the girl finds that her big questions make some people uncomfortable, she stops. But then she learns that her questions can solve problems and that asking questions is how we learn and grow.

Celebrate the spirit of curiosity and the joy of learning with this lively picture book about a persistent girl and her quest for knowledge. From the author and illustrator of The Boy with Big, Big Feelings.

Ryan and Selena Frederick were newlyweds when they landed in Switzerland to pursue Selena's dream of training horses. Neither of them knew at the time that Ryan was living out a death sentence brought on by a worsening genetic heart defect. Soon it became clear he needed major surgery that could either save his life—or result in his death on the operating table. The young couple prepared for the worst. When Ryan survived, they both realized that they still had a future together. But the near loss changed the way they saw all that would lie ahead. They would live and love fiercely, fighting for each other and for a Christ-centered marriage, every step of the way. Fierce Marriage is their story, but more than that, it is a call for married couples to put God first in their relationship, to measure everything they do and say to each other against what Christ did for them, and to see marriage not just as a relationship they should try to keep healthy but also as one worth fighting for in every situation. With the gospel as their foundation, Ryan and Selena offer hope and practical help for common struggles in marriage, including communication problems, sexual frustration, financial stress, family tension, screen-time disconnection, and unrealistic expectations.

Includes an excerpt from Love on the brain.

Animals sleep, just like you! But where? And how? Let's take a look at what creatures do / when you are asleep and the day is through . . . We're used to seeing animals during the day, but where and how do they sleep at night? From butterflies to bees and frogs to fish, from birds to horses and squirrels to bunnies, plus cats and dogs, this sweet book in rhyme shows kids where animals bed down while kids are also asleep.

Following a brother and sister on a farm where all the animals can be found, this book teaches and delights!

A Bedtime Kiss for Chester Raccoon

A Novel

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day

Brother and Sister

Radically Pursuing Each Other in Light of Christ's Relentless Love

Bruce the bear likes to keep to himself. That, and eat eggs. But when his hard-boiled goose eggs turn out to be real, live goslings, he starts to lose his appetite. And even worse, the goslings are convinced he's their mother. Bruce tries to get the geese to go south, but he can't seem to rid himself of his new companions. What's a bear to do?

A child figures out the best way to hug a porcupine as he watches his friends hug other animals.

Marriage is all about sharing: sharing space, sharing joys and sorrows, sharing hopes and dreams. Yet we often hold back a part of ourselves because we fear that being wholly transparent--about our past, our desires, our failures, our faults--will bring judgment, rejection, or even just unwanted friction to our relationship. We are afraid to be fully known. As a result, we never experience being fully loved. Fierce Marriage authors Ryan and Selena Frederick think your marriage deserves better. In this new, paradigm-shifting book, they show you how to develop a see-through marriage, one that is marked by full transparency and confident vulnerability. Through personal stories, testimonies from other couples, and biblical truth, they make the case that living authentically in front of each other is the only way to experience love the way we were designed to. If you desire an honest, no-holding-back marriage where you are fully known, fully accepted, and fully loved, you need this book.

Argyle Fox, with his signature style, wants to play outside on a springtime day, but the wind is wreaking havoc with his fun and games. As soon as he builds a card tower, climbs into a giant spider web, or takes up his pirate sword, here comes the wind: Woosh! Mama Fox tells grumpy Argyle that if he thinks long enough, he will come up with something to do. Following his mother's suggestion and inspired by her knitting, he works all the pieces of his day together and creates the perfect solution. The story of Argyle teaches that failure is often a path to success and celebrates perseverance, creative thinking, and an old-fashioned springtime activity.

The Love Hypothesis

A Color Game for Chester Raccoon

The Kissing Hand Series Bindup

The Trial of Henry Kissinger

The Girl with Big, Big Questions

When they were children in the suburbs of Los Angeles in the 1950s, Diane Keaton and her younger brother, Randy, were best friends and companions- they shared stories at night in their bunk beds; they swam, laughed, and dressed up for Halloween. Their mother captured their American-dream childhoods in her diaries and on camera. But as they grew up, Randy became troubled, then reclusive. By the time he reached adulthood, he was divorced, an alcoholic, a man who couldn't hold on to full-time work-his life was a world away from his sister's and from the rest of their family. Now Diane is delving into the nuances of their shared, and separate, pasts to confront the difficult question of why and how Randy ended up living his life on "the other side of normal." In beautiful and fearless prose that's intertwined with photographs, journal entries, letters, and poetry-many of them Randy's own writing and art-this insightful memoir contemplates the inner workings of a family, the ties that hold it together, and the special bond between siblings even when they are pulled far apart. Here is a story about love and responsibility; about how, when we choose to reach out to the people we feel closest to-in moments of difficulty and loss-surprising things can happen. A story with universal echoes, Brother & Sister speaks across generations to families whose lives have been touched by the fragility and "otherness" of loved ones-and to brothers and sisters everywhere.

"What we have here is a bad case of stripes. One of the worst I've ever seen!" Camilla Cream loves lima beans, but she never eats them. Why? Because the other kids in her school don't like them. And Camilla Cream is very, very worried about what other people think of her. In fact, she's so worried that she's about to break out in...a bad case of stripes!

"I bet you a kiss you can't resist me." Game on. At six foot six, Axel Heller knows he intimidates most people. He's been crushing on the gorgeous waitress, Rena Jackson, for months. But the muscled mechanic is no romantic, and his heart is buried so deep, he has no idea how to show Rena what he feels. He knows he's way out of his depth and she's slipping away. So, he makes one crazy, desperate play... Rena is a diehard romantic, and she's had her eye on Axel Heller for a while. He's got the tall-brooding-and-handsome thing down pat, but he guards his heart well, and Rena is tired of waiting for him to notice her. With Valentine's Day just around the corner, she decides it's time to forget about Axel and find her own Mr. Right. But that's when Axel makes her a bet that involves the steamiest kiss she's ever had...

Calling upon personal testimony and documents released under the Freedom of Information Act, chronicles the life of Henry Kissinger, linking him to events including the war in Indochina and genocide in East Timor.

Secret Pizza Party

A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon

A Book for All the Stops in Your Life

Chester the Raccoon Doll

The Kissing Hand

While Raccoon is eating pizza at his secret pizza party, he sees a masquerade party going on in the house next door and joins the fun. By the New York Times best-selling creators of Dragons Love Tacos!

Ding, ding, ding! With an alarm bell, a sliding pole, and three big trucks, the firehouse is an exciting place to visit. Come along as the Berenstain Bears meet everyday heroes–firefighters! Young readers will love learning all about what it takes to save the day in this 8x8 picture book. The Berenstain Bears Visit the Firehouse is another exciting addition to the classic New York Times bestselling series.

Moving is hard on everyone, but especially children. Chester Racoon, whom readers have come to know and love through the New York Times bestseller The Kissing Hand, and its sequel, A Pocket Full of Kisses, is facing another dilemma common to the lives of many children; he and his family are moving. Young readers will love the way Chester says goodbye to his old home and learns that there are some exciting aspects to his new home.

"A subtle, deceptively simple book about inclusion, hospitality, and welcoming the 'other.' " –Kirkus Reviews "A boundlessly inclusive spirit...This open-ended picture book creates a natural springboard for discussion." –Booklist "This sweet extended metaphor uses an umbrella to demonstrate how kindness and inclusion work...A lovely addition to any library collection, for classroom use or for sharing at home." –School Library Journal In the tradition of Alison McGhee's Someday, beloved illustrator Amy June Bates makes her authorial debut alongside her eleven-year-old daughter with this timely and timeless picture book about acceptance. By the door there is an umbrella. It is big. It is so big that when it starts to rain there is room for everyone underneath. It doesn't matter if you are tall. Or plaid. Or hairy. It doesn't matter how many legs you have. Don't worry that there won't be enough room under the umbrella. Because there will always be room. Lush illustrations and simple, lyrical text subtly address themes of inclusion and tolerance in this sweet story that accomplished illustrator Amy June Bates cowrote with her daughter, Juniper, while walking to school together in the rain.

Argyle Fox

Koala Lou

A Bad Case of Stripes

A Memoir

Where Do Creatures Sleep at Night?

On a day when everything goes wrong for him, Alexander is consoled by the thought that other people have bad days too.

Melvin likes to throw a tantrum when he does not get what he wants, but he learns that the classroom rule, "you get what you get and you don't throw a fit" applies at home as well.

Daddy Kisses