

Miss Rumphius Barbara Cooney

"It is almost Friday night. Outside, the dark is getting darker," and here and there around the city ninety-two men and thirteen women are getting dressed to go to work. First they bathe and put on their underwear. Then they don special black-and-white apparel. Then when the one hundred and five people are completely ready, each takes a musical instrument and travels to midtown. There, at 8:30 tonight, they will work together: playing. In these pages Karla Kuskin and Marc Simont combine their talents to give us a delightful and unusual inside view of one way an orchestra prepares. Nominee, 1983 American Book Award Notable Children's Books of 1983 (ALA) 1983 Fanfare Honor List (The Horn Book) Outstanding Children's Books of 1982 (NYT) A Reading Rainbow Selection 1983 Teachers' Choices (NCTE) Children's Books of 1982 (Library of Congress) Lessons and activities for parents and teachers to accompany the reading of the book.

Marian called it Roxaboxen. (She always knew the name of everything.) There across the road, it looked like any rocky hill -- nothing but sand and rocks, some old wooden boxes, cactus and greasewood and thorny ocotillo -- but it was a special place: a sparkling world of jeweled homes, streets edged with the whitest stones, and two ice cream shops. Come with us there, where all you need to gallop fast and free is a long stick and a soaring imagination. In glowing desert hues, artist Barbara Cooney has caught the magic of Alice McLerran's treasured land of Roxaboxen -- a place that really was, and, once you've been there, always is.

Discover the wonder of water in this refreshingly fun and fascinating exploration of rain, raindrops, and the water cycle from the creator of Rah, Rah, Radishes! and Go, Go Grapes! Raindrops drop. They plop. They patter. They spatter. And in the process, they make the whole world feel fresh and new and clean. In this gorgeously photo-illustrated nonfiction picture book, celebrated author April Pulley Sayre sheds new light on the wonders of rain, from the beauty of a raindrop balanced on a leaf to the amazing, never-ending water cycle that keeps our planet in perfect ecological balance.

Letting Swift River Go

Roxaboxen

All About Deserts

The Diary of a Young Girl

The traditional Christmas story.

After making her girlhood dreams of world travel and living by the sea come true, a retired librarian follows her grandfather's old advice of doing something to make the world more beautiful, and then passes that wisdom on to her grandniece.

A grandmother travels around the world and brings back gifts for her granddaughter.

Describes the strange and splendid things that can happen on a bimulous night when the sky is like lace.

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Hattie and the Wild Waves

Only Opal

Skippyjon Jones Doll

The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree

A lyrical adaptation of the writings of Opal Whiteley, in which she describes her love of nature and her life in an Oregon lumber camp at the turn of the century.

One by one, as they walk down the road, seven little rabbits get tired and find a place to sleep.

Mr. Aster, who likes routine, is happy to care for Little Green Girl when she arrives in his garden, but not interested in helping her see the world beyond its walls.

A brother and sister run away from their cruel and wicked stepmother to a forest, but cannot escape her powers.

Carla's Sandwich

The Little Juggler

Have You Thanked an Inventor Today?

Ox-cart Man

On Market Street

Miss RumphiusPenguin

Describes the day-to-day life of an early nineteenth-century New England family throughout the changing seasons.

A sly fox tries to outwit a proud rooster through the use of flattery.

Matthais grows from a little boy to a grandfather on a small island off the coast of New England.

When the Sky Is Like Lace

Chanticleer and the Fox

Emily

Island Boy

Story and Pictures

An irrepresible new girl dethrones the reigning recess bully by becoming her friend in this infectious playground romp. Mean Jean was Recess Queen and nobody said any different.Nobody swung until Mean Jean swung.Nobody kicked until Mean Jean kicked.Nobody bounced until Mean Jean bounced.If kids ever crossed her, she'd push 'em and smoosh 'em!lollalooosh 'em, hammer 'em, slammer 'emkitz and kajammer 'em.Until a new kid came to school!Parents and teachers will appreciate the story's deft handling of conflict resolution (which happens without adult intervention)."A lively story about the power of kindness and friendship" -- Publishers Weekly"A lighthearted look at a serious topic in schools and on playgrounds everywhere..." -- School Library Journal"Great for reading aloud and joining in." -- Booklist

When her family gives her a picture of the village in which she grew up, Emma, a grandmother, decides to paint her village the way she remembers it and brings new meaning into her life.

This whimsical collection of twenty cat-approved life lessons for living your purrfect life is accompanied by gorgeous, lushly detailed paintings. Miss Marcella Mink and sixty-seven of her favorite feline friends live happily in her big house by the sea. But there was a time when Miss Mink was not so happy. When Miss Mink created her own business -- a feline-friendly cruise company for cat lovers and their furry companions -- she found she no longer had time or energy for herself or her friends. For advice she turned to her cats, who always seemed so happy, healthy, well-rounded, well-groomed and well-rested. It was not long before the Cat Countess was feeling shipshape again. Collected here are Miss Mink's twenty cat-approved lessons, from the benefits of a good grooming and an afternoon nap to valuable advice on friendship and diet.

A Caldecott Honor book, a New York Times Best Illustrated book, an ALA Notable Book, and a Boston Globe—Horn Book Honor Book for Illustration! " Bursting with...surprise and delight. An inexhaustible visual feast. " —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) In this acclaimed picture book by Anita and Arnold Lobel, take a stroll down Market Street to see the whimsical shopkeepers dressed in their wares on one boy ' s fantastical shopping adventure. Enter a wondrous marketplace like no other that has everything from A to Z! Inspired by 17th-century French engravings, Anita Lobel ' s delightful illustrations imaginatively clothe each shopkeeper in their wares. Find one shopkeeper dressed completely in gloves, another covered in wigs, and even one completely dressed in oranges! This beautiful and unique tale takes you on a journey through the alphabet as you discover all the things one boy buys for his special friend during an incredible shopping trip.

An Appalachian Story

The Story of Holly and Ivy

Åke and His World

The Philharmonic Gets Dressed

Basket Moon

Even though the new baby of Mr. and Mrs. Brains is very intelligent, they realize that he is still just a baby.

Part memoir, part humorous and poignant defense of poetry, this is a book that shows you what it is to live a life with poems at your side (and maybe in your Topo Chico(r)). Megan Willome's story is one you won't want to put down: meanwhile, her uncanny ability to reveal the why's and how's of poetry keeps calling-to even the biggest poetry doubter. If you already enjoy poetry, her story and ideas on how to engage with poems. A great title for retreats, poets & writers' groups, and book clubs. Or, if you're a teacher who has ever been asked, "Why poetry?," this book is the ready answer you've been needing. Includes extras like how to keep a poetry journal (this is not just about putting poems in a journal!), how to be a poetry buddy, and how to take a poetry dare.

Presents the childhood of Eleanor Roosevelt, who married a man who became president of the United States and became known as a great humanitarian.

Ruthie and her mother wonder how they will fulfill their obligation of getting the perfect Christmas tree to the town for the holiday celebration, since Papa has left the Appalachian area to go to war.

Emma

Beyond Five in a Row

The Little Green Girl

Gifts

Miss Mink

A beloved classic is lovelier than ever Barbara Cooney's story of Alice Rumphius, who longed to travel the world, live in a house by the sea, and do something to make the world more beautiful, has a timeless quality that resonates with each new generation. The countless lupines that bloom

along the coast of Maine are the legacy of the real Miss Rumphius, the Lupine Lady, who scattered lupine seeds everywhere she went. "Miss Rumphius" received the American Book Award in the year of publication. To celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of two-time Caldecott winner Barbara Cooney's best-loved book, Viking has reoriginated the illustrations, going back to the original art to ensure state-of-the-art reproduction of Cooney's exquisite artwork. The art for "Miss Rumphius" has a permanent home in the Bowdoin College Museum of Art.

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Based on a viral video comes the story of one boy's positive energy and how a sunny outlook can turn everything around. It's a new day and Ayaan has woken up on the wrong side of the bed, where nothing feels quite right. What if he doesn't know the answer at school? What if he messes up? But

as he sets out that morning, all it takes is a few reminders from his mom and some friends in the neighborhood to remind him that a new day is a good day because... HE IS SMART, HE IS BLESSED, AND HE CAN DO ANYTHING!

A lonely giraffe teams up with the nine playful monkeys.

The Recess Queen

Baby Brains

Little Brother and Little Sister

Why Oh Why Are Deserts Dry?

The Joy of Poetry

It is Christmas Eve and, for the toys in Mr Blossom's shop, it is their last chance to be sold. Holly, a small doll dressed especially for Christmas, wishes hard for her own special child. But the day ends and Holly is left in the window. On Christmas morning a little lost orphan girl finds herself outside the toyshop. Ivy has never had a doll to love, but when she sees Holly, she knows at once that th is meant specially for her. But Ivy has no money, and the shop is closed . . . The Story of Holly and Ivy is a Christmas classic by Rumer Godden, beautifully illustrated by Christian Birmingham.

Drawing on "an Old French legend"--a poem with roots stretching back seven hundred years--Barbara Cooney, a two-time recipient of the Caldecott Medal, made a story of beauty and simplicity to entertain and edify young audiences. Her protagonist Barnaby the juggler helps readers appreciate how they can offer their services, no matter how humble.

In this latest installation of the Cat in the Hat's Learning Library, the Cat takes Sally and Dick to explore different kinds of deserts around the world, from the hot, dry Sonoran and Mojavi to the bitter cold Gobi and Antarctica. Young readers learn why deserts are dry, and how plants and animals—including cactus, kangaroos, camels, penguins, roadrunners, and many others—have adapted to survive in the unforgiving climate. Also included: how sand dunes are formed; the reason we see mirages, and how shallow water beneath the surface of the ground can create an oasis. Fans of the new PBS preschool science show The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That! (which is based on the Learning Library series) won't want to miss this hot new addition to the series!

Have You Thanked an Inventor Today? is a journey into the often forgotten contributions of African-American inventors, that contributed to the American landscape. This book was written to appeal to African-American youth, inspiring creative thought and innovation. It was also written to demonstrate to children how the genius of African-American minds is utilized on a daily basis. Biographies about each inventor, as well as activity sheets are included in the book to further stimulate the minds of young readership.

Miss Rumphius

With Audio Recording

I Am Smart, I Am Blessed, I Can Do Anything!

Raindrops Roll

The Story of Christmas

Based on the life of the author's mother, "the daughter of an immigrant family that was industrious, affectionate, and successful. . . . An idyllic childhood . . . serves as a glamorous backdrop for Hattie's emerging determination to become an artist".--Bulletin for the Center for Children's Books. Full color.

In this fictionalized account of his early childhood years in a Swedish seaport town at the turn of the century, Swedish poet Bertil Malmberg describes the pleasures and pitfalls of growing up.

This charming story presents a new way for young children to understand how to creatively embrace who they are, no matter what others think. Carla's lunch box is filled with odd delights like the Olive, Pickle and Green Bean Sandwich, the Banana-Cottage-Cheese Delight, and the unforgettable Chopped Liver, Potato Chips, and Cucumber Combo. To Carla, they are delicious and creative lunches, but her teasing classmates are unconvinced and abandon her at the lunch table to eat her bizarre sandwiches alone. One day, however, tables turn when Buster—the worst tease of all—forgets his lunch on the day of the picnic and Carla thoughtfully offers him her extra sandwich. Her own spirited nature helps Carla teach her classmates that "unusual" can actually be good. Lively illustrations help showcase the book's messages of acceptance, tolerance, individuality, and creativity, and the funny plot and authentic dialogue are sure to make this tale a favorite among elementary school children. Carla's creative sandwich solutions provide young chefs-to-be with the inspiration to create sandwich masterpieces of their own.

After hearing some men call his father and him hillbillies on his first trip into the nearby town of Hudson, a young boy is not so sure he still wants to become a basket maker.

Seven Little Rabbits

Cecily G. and the 9 Monkeys

Eleanor

How to Keep, Save & Make Your Life with Poems: (Masters in Fine Living Series)

When a mother and child pay a visit to their reclusive neighbor Emily, who stays in her house writing poems, there is an exchange of special gifts.