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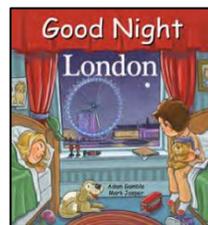
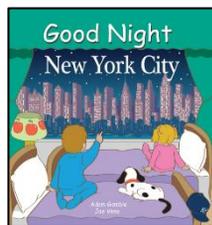
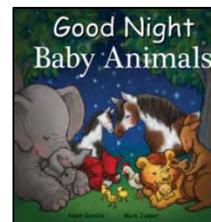
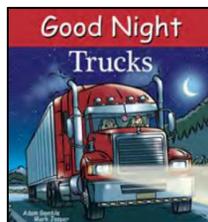
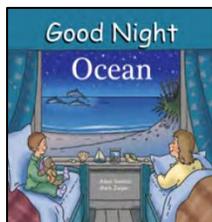
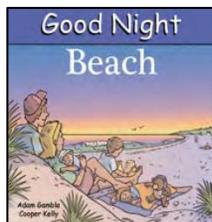
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## PICTURE BOOKS

### NEW! GOOD NIGHT BOOKS

Board books name and celebrate places and themes for ages 0-5 – and lull them to sleep in the bargain! Children are introduced to the use polite salutations and greetings, the “essence” of each subject and place, the passage of a day (“good morning,” good afternoon,” “good evening,” and “good night”), and seasonality where appropriate. 110 universal subjects; a broad range of international titles; Bath Books, Count-to-Sleep Books, and Spanish Language are also available.

**Good Night Books \* Picture Books/ages 0-5**



## PICTURE BOOKS

### THE BARKING PUPPY

(offered for English language rights only)

By Lori Lobenstine; illustrated by Il Sung Na

The first in a series about a biracial girl named Sophie who creates a newspaper with her next-door neighbor, Juno, using dog personas and billing it as a "Newspaper By Dogs For Dogs." The girls race against the clock to sell enough papers to pay for surgery that Juno's pug desperately needs. Will it work out? Don't miss this first edition of a doggone great series and find out for yourself! This is Lobenstine first children's book; illustrator Il Sung Na has illustrated several acclaimed books, including *Welcome Home*, *Bear*, and *My Tree* and teaches illustration courses at the Kansas City Art Institute (KCAI).

Levine Querido \* April 2025 \* Early Reader/Chapter Book \* 256 pages \* ages 6-9



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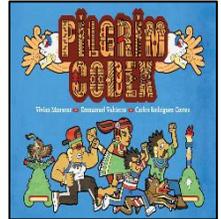
(offered for English & Dutch language rights only)

simultaneous release in Spanish CÓDICE PEREGRINO

By Vivian Mansour, Emmanuel Valtierra

For fans of Duncan Tonatiuh and Yuyi Morales' *Dreamers*, this one-of-a-kind picture book was originally published in Mexico (*Código peregrino*) Mansour traces one immigrant family's journey north in search for a better place to live and brilliantly illustrated in the vein of an ancient codex drawing upon Mesoamerican mythology. Mansour is a Mexican writer who has received the FILIJ Short Stories for Children Award and the A la Orilla del Viento Award. Valtierra is a Texan Mexican illustrator who creates projects related to the Aztec culture, including *Codex Valtierra* that won the Sidewise Award for Alternate History in 2018.

Levine Querido \* February 2025 \* Middle Grade Fiction \* pages 48 \* ages 4-8



Also available from Tilbury House by Carme Lemniscates:

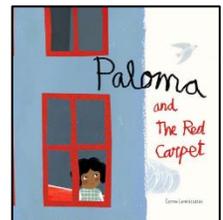


### PALOMA AND THE RED CARPET

By Carme Lemniscates

When Paloma arrives at the big building with so many other children living there, she stays silent and watches. But a cozy red carpet beckons--a place for her to draw, make friends, learn the language, and learn to read. A touching story of refuge, change, and friendship from the talented author/illustrator Carme Lemniscates who lives in Barcelona.

Tilbury House \* March 2025 \* 40 pages \* Picture Book/ \* ages 4 – 8

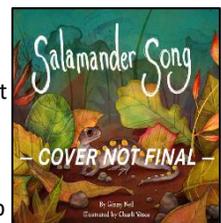


### SALAMANDER SONG

By Ginny Neil; illustrated by Charli Vince

As winter gives way to spring children and their teacher plan to meet on a night of salamander rain (the first warm rain of spring); they will help the salamanders cross a busy road to the vernal pool on the other side. The author's note includes information about amphibian migrations and descriptions of citizen science activities that kids can participate in to help keep the world wild and beautiful. Neil writes for both children and adults. Her picture book *The Glorious Forest that Fire Built* was the winner of both the Blueberry Honor Book Award and the Eureka Honor Book Award.

Tilbury House \* March 2025 \* 40 pages \* Nonfiction Picture Book \* ages 6 - 10



## PICTURE BOOKS

*Also available from Cinco Puntos Press/Lee & Low by Diana Cohn:*

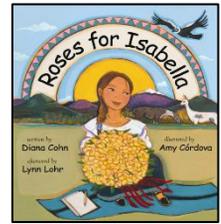


### **ROSES FOR ISABELLA**

**simultaneous release in Spanish: ROSAS PARA ISABELLA**  
**By Diana Cohn; illustrated by Amy Córdova Boone**

Stop and smell the roses of Ecuador with Isabella as she learns how treating farmworkers and Mother Earth fairly makes the world bloom! Cohn is the award-winning author of seven children's books; Córdova Boone has twice received the prestigious Pura Belpré Award for her vibrant art found in museums and private collections throughout the US and Europe.

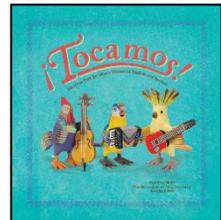
**Lee & Low \* April 2025 \* 32 pages \* Picture Book/ages 5-10**



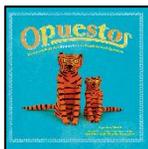
### **¡TOCAMOS!: Mexican Folk Art Music Makers in English and Spanish** **By Cynthia Weill; illustrated by Avelino Perez**

Cynthia Weill's critically acclaimed, Kirkus-starred Mexican Folk Art series illustrates basic concepts for young children in Spanish and English. Here, handicrafts specially commissioned from artisans in Oaxaca, Mexico to teach children the alphabet, opposites, colors, numbers, jobs, animal sounds, music, and modes of transport in Spanish and English. Feathered friends form an ensemble that introduces children – in English and Spanish – to instruments played at concerts in Mexican town squares. This is the eighth book in Cynthia Weill's critically acclaimed, Kirkus-starred Mexican Folk Art series.

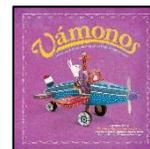
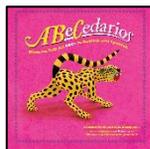
**Lee & Low/Cinco Puntos Press \* February 2025 \* 32 pages \* Picture Book/ages 3-6**



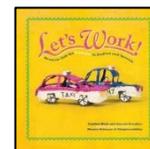
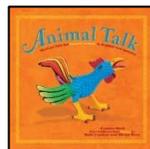
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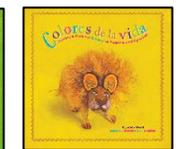
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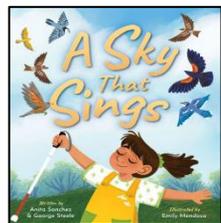
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### **A SKY THAT SINGS**

**By Anita Sanchez & George Steele; illustrated by George Steele**

Mia is a blind girl who enjoys identifying birds by their distinct calls and songs. Join her as she leads her aunt through the park on a bird-listening adventure. Perfect for bird lovers of every feather, Sanchez invites us to open our senses to life's everyday treasures—the delights of nature and spending time with loved ones. Sanchez & Steele are coauthors of Wait Till It Gets Dark: A Kid's Guide to Exploring the Night. Mendoza is a Mexican American illustrator

**Lee & Low \* March 2025 \* 40 pages \* Picture Book/ages 5-10**

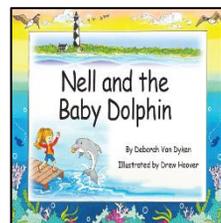


### **NELL AND THE BABY DOLPHIN**

**By Deborah Van Dyken; illustrated by Drew Hoover**

A little girl magically transforms into a mermaid and goes on an underwater adventure with her new dolphin friend. Van Dyken is also the author of *Wild Geese Flying* and *The Little Turtle*.

**Blair \* April 2025 \* 30 pages \* Picture Book \* ages 4 - 8**

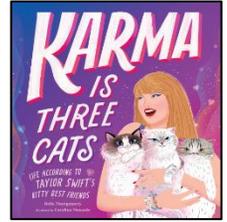


## PICTURE BOOKS

### **KARMA IS THREE CATS: Life According to Taylor Swift's Kitty Best Friends By Bella Montgomery; Illustrated by Carolina Marando**

The most famous cats in show biz have something to say. Taylor's itty bitty pretty kitty committee shines in this playful picture book perfect for Taylor Swift fans of all ages. Readers follow the daily lives of Taylor's kitty entourage: Meredith Grey's no-nonsense 'cattitude' keeps schedules rolling, Benjamin Button's troublemaking ways keep Taylor's writing fresh, and Olivia Benson's self-care regimen keeps Taylor centered. The book's unique point of view sets it apart from other books in the trade.

**Castle Point \* January 2025 \* 32 pages/4-color throughout \* all ages**

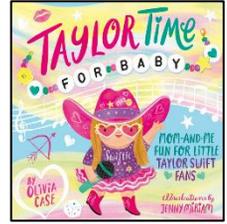


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### **TAYLOR TIME FOR BABY: Mom-and-Me Fun for Little Taylor Swift Fans By Olivia Case; illustrated by Jenny Miriam**

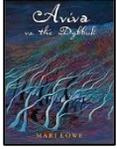
This perfect read-aloud will have baby fans and moms alike bonding over Swift's core values of love, self-esteem, creativity, and friendship in pages with colorful illustrations and easy-to-follow messages.

**Castle Point \* January 2025 \* 28 pages/4 color throughout \* Ages 0 – 5**



## MIDDLE GRADE

Also available from Levine Querido  
by Mari Lowe:



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### BENINONI

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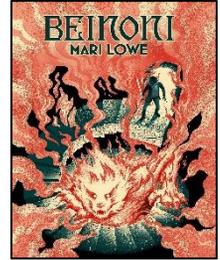
By Mari Lowe

★Kirkus (starred): "A rare find. A heart-rending story of loss, community, friendship, and what it takes to heal and survive." (Aviva)

Sydney Taylor Award Winner & National Jewish Book Award Winner (Shaindy Goodman)

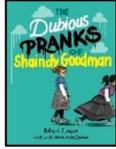
The world is beninoni—a bland, safe place with no space for excellence or for horror, only Ezra stands separate from the rest, raised with the awareness that one day, he will fight the gurya, an embodiment of evil inclination, and sustain the status quo. Lowe's first two middle grade books for Levine Querido, *Aviva vs. the Dybbuk* and *The Dubious Pranks of Shaindy Goodman* were both Sydney Taylor Book Award winners.

Levine Querido \* May 2025 \* Middle Grade Fiction \* 208 pages\* ages 8 –12



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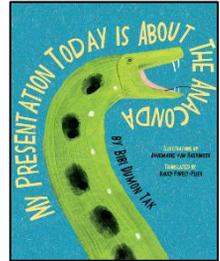
### MY PRESENTATION TODAY IS ABOUT THE ANACONDA

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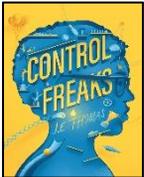
By Bibi Dumon Tak, Annemarie van Haeringen

Who needs another book by humans? This is a book of cheeky oral presentations given by animals, for animals, and about animals. The cleaner fish talks about his friend the shark and his sharp teeth. The zebra tells you about all the black-and-white animals in the world. The mole knows everything there is to know about the daddy longlegs. You'll laugh, you'll learn, you'll love it! Dumon Tak has won the Gouden Griffel, the Theo Thijssen Prize, and two Batchelder Awards. Van Haeringen has won the Gouden Penseel three times and has been published in 25 languages.

Levine Querido \* February 2025 \* Middle Grade Nonfiction \* 224 pages \* ages 8-12



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### THE AI INDICENT

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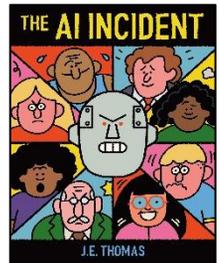
By J.E. Thomas

People Magazine Must-Read for Summer 2023

★Booklist (starred): "Thomas strews the increasingly suspenseful competition with teachable moments and traces learning curves not only for the students but for teachers and parents, too. Reminiscent of E. L. Konigsburg's *The View from Saturday*." (Control Freaks)

*The Wild Robot* meets *Restart* when Colorado's unluckiest foster kid battles a rogue AI robot at school. Thomas deals with issues like code bias, deep fakes, middle grade friendships, reasonable risk, what constitutes a family, and who "deserves" nice things. Thomas' first book, *Control Freaks*, was a People Magazine Summer Must-Read and a "Best of the Best" pick by the Black Caucus of the ALA.

LEVINE QUERIDO \* June 2025 \* 256 pages \* Middle Grade Fiction \* ages 8 - 12



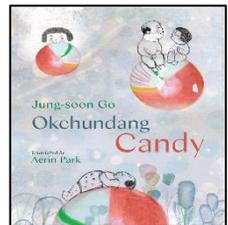
### OKCHUNDANG CANDY

*(offered for English language rights only)*

By Jung-soon Go

Growing up, Jung-soon spent every moment she could at her grandparents' house...just the three of them, happy. Grandfather was Grandmother's best and only friend. On every Jesa day, during the ancestral ritual, he would gently place the okchundang candy in her mouth, a big smile spreading across her face as it melted on her tongue. But nothing stays the same: as Jung-soon got older so did her grandparents. With breathtaking colored pencil and watercolor art, she presents an achingly beautiful graphic novel about the little joys and sharp sorrows that make up a life together as a family. Special Prize winner - 2023 Korea Picture Book Awards.

Levine Querido \* March 2025 \* Middle Grade Graphic Novel \* 128 pages \* ages 10 - 14



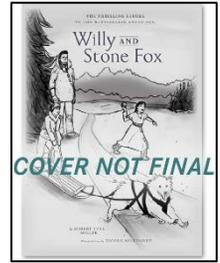
## MIDDLE GRADE

### WILLY AND STONE FOX

**By Robert Tate Miller; illustrated by Nicole Neidhardt**

The thrilling sequel to the bestselling *Stone Fox* by John Reynolds Gardiner. It's been two years since Willy competed in that fateful National Dogsled Race. Two years since he lost his dog, Searchlight. Two years since Willy's Native American friend, Stone Fox, made sure Willy won the race by keeping the other racers at bay as Willy carried Searchlight over the finish line. Now, Stone Fox needs Willy's help to save his land and his family. But can Willy race again? And without Searchlight? Miller died shortly after completing this book. Neidhardt is Diné (Navajo) of Kiiyaa'áanii clan and works in a variety of media, including book illustration.

**Tilbury House \* March 2025 \* 96 pages \* Middle Grade Fiction \* Ages 8 – 14**

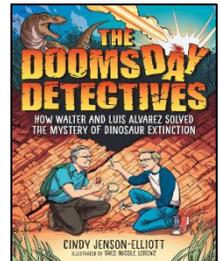


### THE DOOMSDAY DETECTIVES: How Walter & Luis Alvarez Solved the Mystery of Dinosaur Extinction

**By Cindy Jenson-Elliott; illustrated by Theo Nicole Lorenz**

Father-son scientists Luis and Walter Alvarez piece together one of the greatest mysteries of all time: What really happened to the dinosaurs? The book outlines the many important scientific discoveries that aided the Alvarazes in their search for answers. Its Interdisciplinary approach pulls from geology, astronomy, physics, and paleontology making it great for Alvarez's science curricula. Educational back matter includes a glossary and a bibliography organized by topic. Jenson-Elliott is the author of 18 nonfiction books for children; Lorenz is the illustrator of several books including *Dinosaurs with Jobs* and *Unicorns Are Jerks*.

**Lee & Low/Tu Books \* March 2025 \* 224 pages \* Middle Grade Nonfiction \* ages 10+**



### FLYING IN COLORS

**By Padma Prasad Reddeppa**

Nine-year-old Pavi is tired of being told she asks too many questions, tired of grown-up secrets whispered out of her earshot by the grown-ups in her large intergenerational family in Tamil Nadu, South India. Reddeppa's debut is a literary exploration of life's big questions through a child's eyes: with humor and authenticity she captures a child's perspective as they navigate life's big questions: how we're born, die, and are remembered by those left behind. Reddeppa is a poet, writer, and painter born in Chennai, India.

**Lee & Low/Tu Books \* May 2025 \* 272 pages \* Middle Grade Fiction \* ages 9-13**



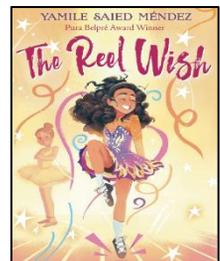
### THE REEL WISH

**simultaneous release in Spanish: EL DESEO DE MI CORAZON**

**By Yamile Saied Méndez**

Ballet is Florencia del Lago's entire world. After years of hard work, she is chosen as Clara in the winter production of *The Nutcracker* - the youngest dancer to receive such an honor, and the first Latina. But she suffers a panic attack on stage on opening night—and just like that, her whole world falls apart. Florencia learns to tame her anxiety by opening up to new experiences that can help her rediscover the joy of performing on stage- like Irish dance! Born and raised in Argentina, Méndez is the award-winning author of many books for young readers and adults, including *Furia*, *Where Are You From?*, the *Horse Country* series, and *On These Magic Shores*.

**Lee & Low/Tu Books \* March 2025 \* 368 pages \* Middle Grade Fiction \* ages 8 -12**



## MIDDLE GRADE

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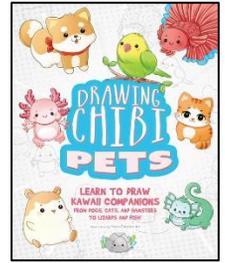
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**DRAWING CHIBI PETS: Learn to Draw Kawaii Companions from Dogs, Cats, and Hamsters to Lizards and Fish!**

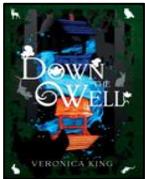
**By Tessa Creative Art**

Learn how to bring your favorite anime and manga-inspired pets to life using step-by-step instructions - perfect for beginners!

**Ulysses Books for Young Readers \* January 2025 \* 128 pages \* Middle Grade Nonfiction \* ages 9+**



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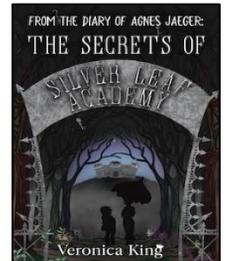


**AGNES & JAEGER**

**By Veronica King**

Dark academia from the author of *Down the Well* about a girl grappling with the devastation of her newly missing parents while being thrown into the wolves' den of upper society. She enrolls mid-semester at a snooty academy where she must adjust to life with her estranged aunt, vicious bullies, missing classmates, and mysteries hiding under the polished halls of her new school.

**INIMITABLE \* Spring 2025 \* Middle Grade Fiction \* ages 9 - 12**



## YOUNG ADULT

### **ONE OF THE BOYS (World English & Spanish)** *(offered for English language rights only)* **By Victoria Zeller**

Grace Woodhouse has left a lot behind. She used to have a great friend group, an amazing girlfriend, and a right foot set to earn her a scholarship —before she came out as trans. As senior year begins, Grace is struggling to find her place in early transition, new social circles, and a life without football. But when her skills as the best kicker in the state prove to be vital, her old teammates beg her to come out of retirement, dragging her back into a sport—into a way of life—she thought had turned its back on her forever. Soon, though, she'll have to decide how much of herself she's willing to give up for the game she loves. Victoria Zeller is a trans writer, former football player, and lifelong fan; this is her debut novel.

**Levine Querido \* May 2025 \* Young Adult Fiction \* 336 pages \* ages 12+**



*Also available from Levine Querido by Jean-Claude van Rijckeghem:*

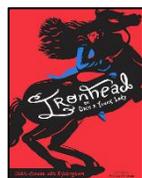
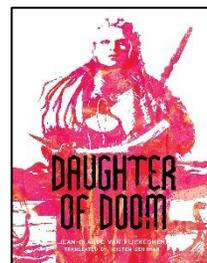
### **DAUGHTER OF DOOM** *(offered for English language rights only)*

**By Jean-Claude van Rijckeghem**

★**Publishers Weekly (starred):** *"This celebration of historical gender nonconformity is as compelling as it is fun."* (*Ironhead*)

From the acclaimed author of *Ironhead*, a darkly humorous young adult novel set in the age of Vikings. When nun Sister Job kills a Danish barbarian, she and Yrsa, the daughter of a Danish helmsman, must flee across the sea to escape the vengeance of the Danes and their gods. Van Rijckeghem is an award-winning Belgian writer and producer..

**Levine Querido \* June 2025 \* Young Adult Fiction \* 432 pages \* ages 12+**



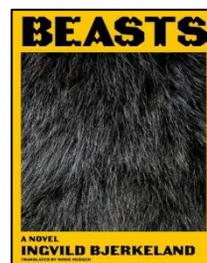
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### **BEASTS** *(offered for English language rights only)*

**By Ingvild Bjerkeland**

*A Quiet Place* meets Cormac McCarthy's *The Road* in this intense YA horror read – an international hit from Norway that is shudderingly terrifying and deliciously original. The world has been overrun by hitherto unknown beasts. Society has collapsed: the power is gone, cars are abandoned across the highways, and anyone left is hiding from the terrifying creatures—and each other. Thirteen-year-old Abdi and his five-year-old sister Alva are on the run; through forests to the sea. Nominated by more than 10,000 school children for the Nordic Council Children and YA Prize –the highest booksellers' award in Norway. This is her first novel translated into English.

**Levine Querido \* April 2025 \* Young Adult Fiction/Horror \* 192 pages \* ages 12+**



### **FUTBOLISTA** *(offered for English language rights only)*

**By Jonny Garza Villa**

*Heartstopper* meets *Red, White, & Royal Blue* in a YA contemporary with all the Mexican American vibes to be expected from Jonny Garza Villa, author of *Fifteen Hundred Miles from the Sun*. This classmates-to-friends-to-lovers romance is equal parts raunchy, heartfelt, queer, and Mexican American, centered on college football (the REAL football)! Jonny Garza Villa is the author of Pura Belpré Honor Book *Fifteen Hundred Miles from the Sun*, Stonewall Honor Book *Ander & Santi Were Here*, and *Canto Contigo*.

**Levine Querido \* March 2024 \* YA Fiction \* 384 pages \* ages 12+**



## YOUNG ADULT

### **DREAM BOY**

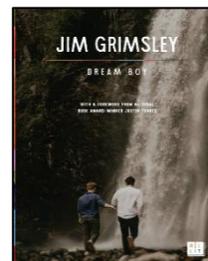
**By Jim Grimsley**

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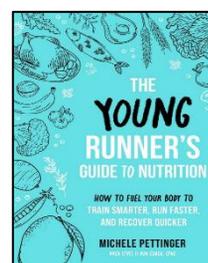


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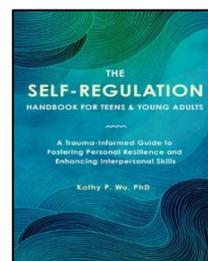


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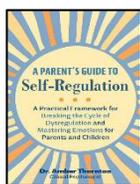
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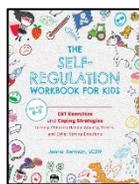
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