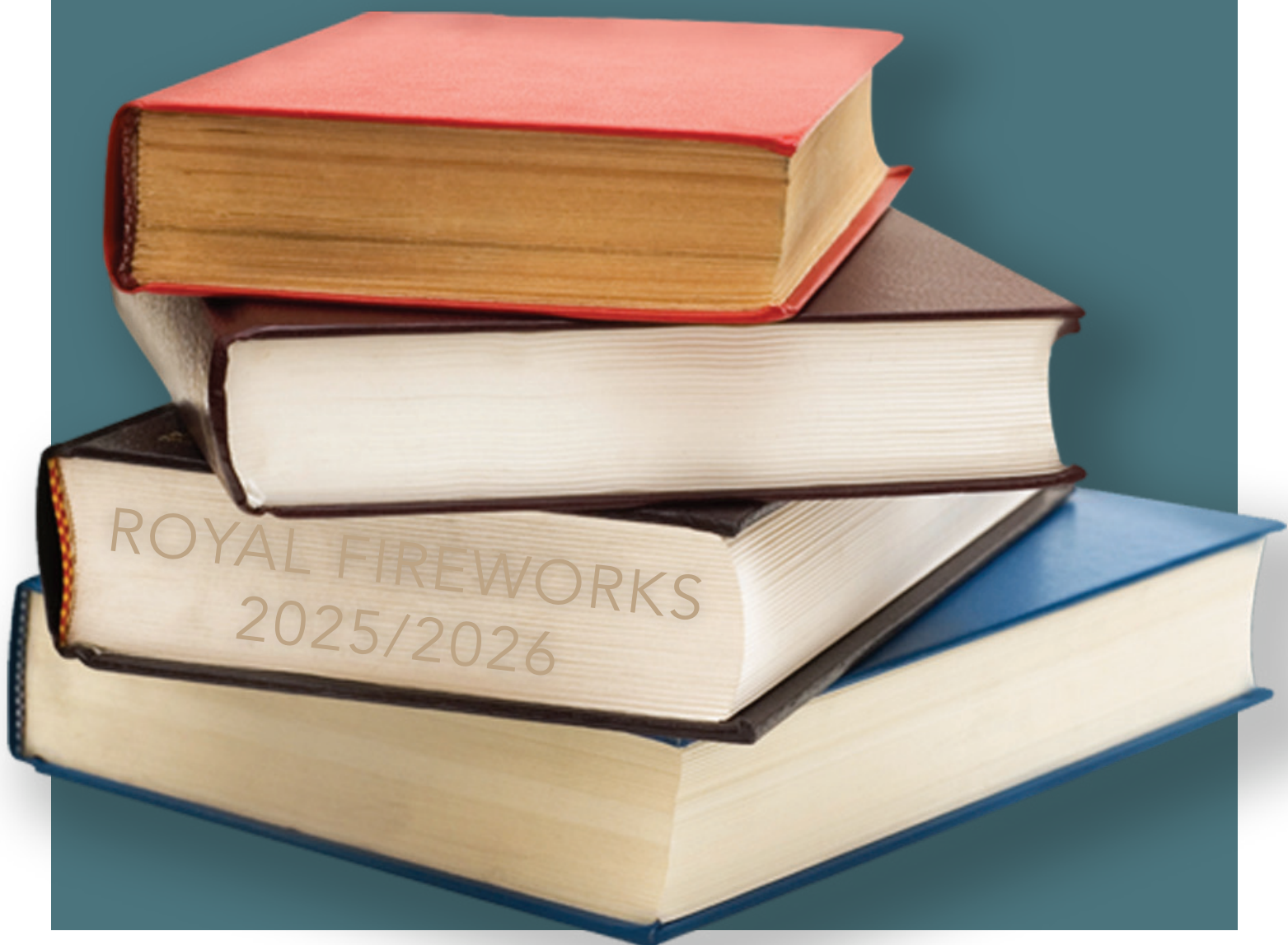


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FOR CHILDREN WITH
DYSLEXIA



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At Royal Fireworks, we want children to succeed. We offer books that we believe children will enjoy reading, both because they are engaging and intellectually challenging and also because they are beautiful. However, children who have visual processing problems often struggle to read, and we want those children to be able to enjoy our books as well. To that end, we offer some of our titles in a special dyslexia version. This version includes a dyslexia-friendly font called OpenDyslexic, as well as formatting features such as wide margins and generous space between the lines of text. Often these books also include visual support in the form of illustrations to help children interpret the text, as well as audio support through the use of QR codes that link to narration of the text so that children can follow along.

Ongoing research has shown that other fonts are also effective for helping dyslexic readers access text. Some of those fonts enable us to produce a single volume that is both readable and visually appealing to virtually all readers, regardless of their visual processing challenges—or lack thereof. We will continue to research, revise, and republish our books as we discover new ways of making them accessible to everyone who wants to read them.

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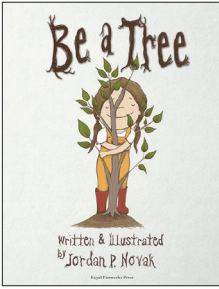


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Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

Be a Tree



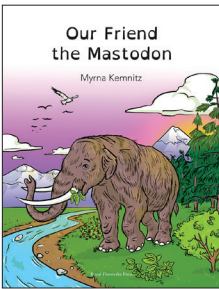
by Jordan Novak

Be a Tree is the delightfully illustrated story of a young girl who notices the wonderful attributes of trees and wants to grow up to have those attributes.

A percentage of the proceeds from the sale of this book will be divided equally between the Arbor Day Foundation and the YanaCocha Rescue Centre in Ecuador. The Arbor Day Foundation is the largest nonprofit membership organization dedicated to planting trees. The YanaCocha Rescue Centre rescues and rehabilitates wildlife species and reintroduces them into the Tamandua Ecologic Reserve. The destruction and fragmentation of habitat in the Ecuadorian Amazon is considered the greatest threat to biodiversity conservation and the primary cause for the extinction of wild species in the region. YanaCocha is working to combat this threat by preserving the Amazonian rainforest and populating it with native birds, mammals, amphibians, and reptiles to create a healthy and thriving ecosystem.

6995 Be a Tree (25 pp.) **\$10.00**

Our Friend the Mastodon

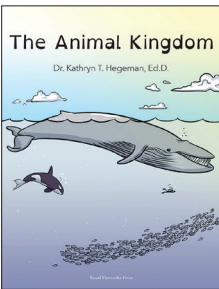


by Myrna Kemnitz

Mastodons provide the most common large fossil in the United States. Their bones are found everywhere, and the skeletons are often nearly complete. This book will help young children gain the most from visits to museums and other venues where they are likely to find an exhibit of mastodon bones. This is a fun book of reading, writing, thinking, and drawing.

6377 Our Friend the Mastodon (22 pp.) **\$10.00**

The Animal Kingdom



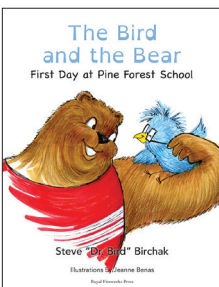
by Dr. Kathryn T. Hegeman

This book contains ten units featuring ten different animals, with activity plans to help children learn basic facts about each animal, as well as places to draw animals in different ways to encourage comprehension and an appreciation for the animal's special characteristics. Each unit covers such topics as the animal's food, habitat, and adaptations. The final pages in the book encourage children to make various comparisons among the animals and to think about them in new ways. A teacher manual is available to help instructors guide children to get the most out of the student book.

6469 The Animal Kingdom: Student Book (53 pp.) **\$13.00**

031X The Animal Kingdom: Teacher Manual (66 pp.) **\$15.00**

The Bird and the Bear: First Day at Pine Forest School



by Stephan Birchak

Birdie is new at Pine Forest School, and he isn't having a very good first day. He is so small that some of the other animals pick on him and make fun of him. Then he meets Bear, the biggest animal in the school. Bear befriends Birdie, and the friends learn that together, anything is possible.

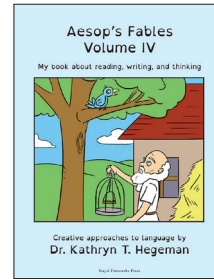
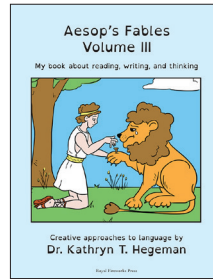
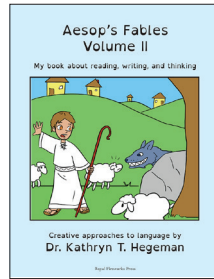
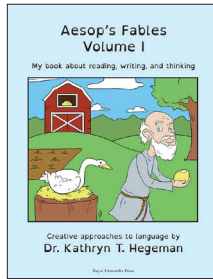
The Bird and the Bear is a story about the power of friendship. It is filled with endearing and engaging illustrations and includes guiding questions at the end.

6810 The Bird and the Bear (32 pp.) **\$13.00**

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Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

AESOP'S FABLES: BOOKS ABOUT READING, WRITING, AND THINKING



by Kathryn T. Hegeman

Aesop's Fables are timeless classics, and Royal Fireworks is pleased to offer them in a format that makes them easily accessible to young children. The fables—forty-four in all—are divided among four volumes that include not just the fables themselves but also important vocabulary and pages of activities. These activities emphasize reading, writing, and thinking, as well as life skills, values, decision making, visual interpretation, and creative expression. Children draw pictures, color images, write sentences to answer questions, and complete fun activities. In the context of the fables, children practice skills that include such topics as alphabetizing, nouns, verbs, adjectives, punctuation, homonyms, rhymes, sentence structure, letter writing, poetry, visualization, evaluation, concern for others, and more.

7602 Aesop's Fables, Volume I (48 pp.) **\$12.00**

7626 Aesop's Fables, Volume III (48 pp.) **\$12.00**

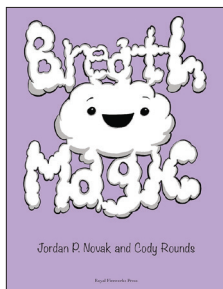
7619 Aesop's Fables, Volume II (48 pp.) **\$12.00**

7633 Aesop's Fables, Volume IV (48 pp.) **\$12.00**

7602S Aesop's Fables: Set of Four Volumes **\$40.00**

MINDFULNESS

Breath Magic



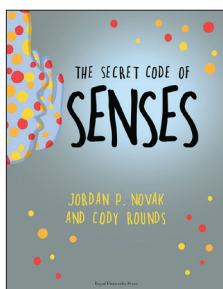
by Jordan Novak and Cody Rounds

Intentional breathing is the act of using our breath to help us calm down, whether we are upset, angry, scared, or stressed. It is a technique that even young children can master. This book offers children an easy way to learn five different kinds of breathing techniques so that they can begin to take control of their emotional responses and self-soothe in order to feel better in difficult situations. It is also a wonderful way to introduce children to the concept of mindfulness.

7017 Breath Magic (34 pp.) **\$10.00**

7077 Breath Magic: Instructor Guidebook (17 pp.) **\$10.00**

The Secret Code of Senses



by Jordan Novak and Cody Rounds

Our bodies are bombarded with sensory information all day every day. As adults, we know how to filter out what we don't need to attend to in order to function in the world, but children can feel overwhelmed with sensory overload. Teaching children methods of intentional sensing is an effective way of helping them to understand what their bodies are telling them—the secret code that is the language of the body. This book introduces children to the language of the senses and teaches them specific strategies to help them cope with sensations that are unpleasant or overpowering, causing stress or unhappiness. Children who learn these types of self-regulation techniques can use them to become happier and more mindful of both what is happening around them and what is going on within.

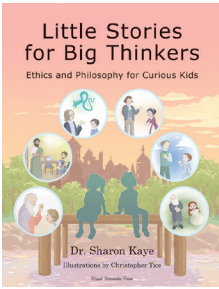
7291 The Secret Code of Senses (34 pp.) **\$10.00**

7299 The Secret Code of Senses: Instructor Guidebook (18 pp.) **\$10.00**

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Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

Little Stories for Big Thinkers: Ethics and Philosophy for Curious Kids



by Dr. Sharon Kaye

This charmingly illustrated book contains six stories that introduce children to some of the world's most famous philosophers, each of whom had specific ideas about how best to live a good and ethical life. Each story features a prominent philosopher from history, as well as a young student of that philosopher who is confronted with a conflict that raises questions about how best to move forward. The philosopher offers guidance based on his theory but then sends the child off to think about what to do. Alone, the child contemplates the implications of that theory, pondering questions about its application and consequences. This open-ended format provides adults of a wide array of faiths and backgrounds with a framework to talk to children about how they would like to see them conduct themselves as they grow and mature.

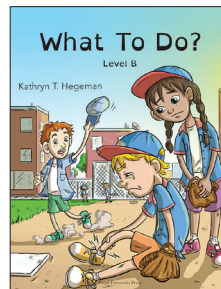
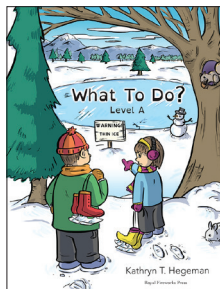
Children benefit from opportunities to think about how they want to live their lives. In our increasingly complex world, instilling them with our core values and then pointing them toward actions that exemplify those values is one of the most important things we can do to help them live a good life—and maybe to help make the world a better place in the process.

As a special feature, this book contains QR codes that link to audio narration of the text.

2672 Little Stories for Big Thinkers (134 pp.) **\$25.00**

CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING

What To Do?



by Dr. Kathryn T. Hegeman

There are three levels of *What To Do?* books to help children develop essential problem-solving skills. At Levels A and B, for elementary-age children, the books contain activity pages that encourage the children to analyze problems and develop solutions and scenarios of their results. At Level C, for pre-teens and young teens, children confront high-interest, adolescent-type situations and enter a more complex problem-solving atmosphere. Only the first two levels are available in the dyslexia-friendly font.

At all levels, the problems encourage children to engage in critical thinking and Socratic dialogue to reach a solution. Every problem presents a conflict that the children must resolve, and most of them will not end with everyone perfectly happy. This is consistent with real life, in which we often must find the best option, the most satisfying solution, the answer that makes the most sense in the context of our lives. This is excellent practice for children as they grow and mature. It enables them to develop creative problem-solving skills that will benefit them in a multitude of ways and in a host of situations, allowing them to take a deliberate approach to the circumstances that surround and shape their lives.

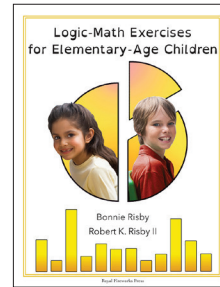
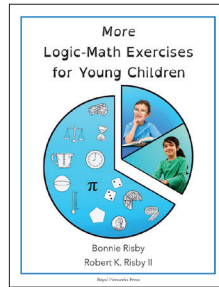
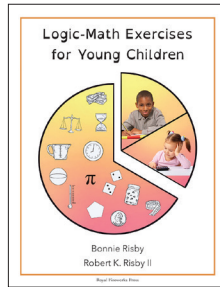
6362 What To Do? Level A (48 pp.) **\$13.00**

6360 What To Do? Level B (48 pp.) **\$13.00**

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Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

LOGIC-MATH EXERCISES FOR CHILDREN



by Bonnie Risby and Robert K. Risby II

The Logic-Math books are designed to develop critical-thinking skills in children through exercises involving math concepts. These concepts include number signs, counting, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, decimals, percents, graphs, geometry, volume, and more, as well as number concepts that are involved in such topics as time and money. The exercises involve organizing information, sequencing, pattern decoding, understanding relationships, inferring, solving analogies, and deducing, all presented in a format designed to appeal to young children. The first two books in the series are for students in grades K-2. Many of the lessons are pictorial, with simple instructions that can be read to pre-literate children. The third book is for children in grades 3-4. All of the books include exercises in a range of challenge levels that will enable children to experience both success and the struggle that makes success more satisfying. Children of all ability levels will enjoy the challenges in these books and will soon be applying their critical-thinking skills to other areas of learning and life.

4991 Logic-Math Exercises for Young Children (99 pp.) **\$13.00**

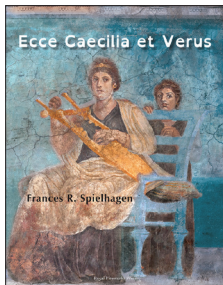
5677 More Logic-Math Exercises for Young Children (90 pp.) **\$13.00**

7611 Logic-Math Exercises for Elementary-Age Children (132 pp.) **\$13.00**

LATIN FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Ecce Caecilia et Verus

Volume I



by Dr. Frances R. Spielhagen

In *Ecce Caecilia et Verus*, Cecilia, a young girl living in ancient Rome, introduces herself, her family, and aspects of her world—all in elementary Latin. Even young students can make meaning of the Latin through the engaging illustrations and photographs; this is reinforced by repetition of the vocabulary.

8241 *Ecce Caecilia et Verus: Student Book* (53 pp.) **\$20.00**

9217 *Ecce Caecilia et Verus: Instructor Manual* (66 pp.) **\$25.00**

8241SET *Ecce Caecilia et Verus: Student Book and Instructor Book* **\$40.00**

Caecilia et Verus in Foro Romano

Volume II



by Dr. Frances R. Spielhagen

In Volume II, Cecilia and her twin brother Verus take a walk through the Roman Forum, looking at various temples and other important sites and discussing a number of the significant historical figures and gods that helped to shape ancient Roman cultural traditions.

8243 *Caecilia et Verus in Foro Romano: Student Book* (81 pp.) **\$20.00**

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8243SET *Caecilia et Verus in Foro Romano: Student Book and Instructor Book* **\$40.00**

Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

NIGHT OF THE PARANORMAL PATTERNS



by Robert Black

Lennie Miller's new town is located on the edge of the Mystical Realm, a world filled with supernatural creatures that sits right next to ours. Lennie learns that she is a Pattern Finder—a person the creatures come to for help with all of their math problems. Soon Lennie and her new best friend Gil are solving math problems for an array of wacky creatures. Who knew math could be so interesting!

This series is derived from a single novel of the same name that is printed in a standard format; this special version, however, has been divided into seven parts (which are meant to be read consecutively) as a way of presenting the entire story in smaller, more manageable chunks. Each part presents a problem in the plot and then the solution that Lennie and Gil work out. The pages are enhanced with QR codes that link to audio narration of the text so that readers can follow along. The entire pack comes with the option of a set of flashcards for practicing challenging words in the story.

7640 Part One: The Redcoat Ghosts (54 pp.) **\$10.00**

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7703 Night of the Paranormal Patterns: Dyslexia Pack Flashcards **\$25.00**

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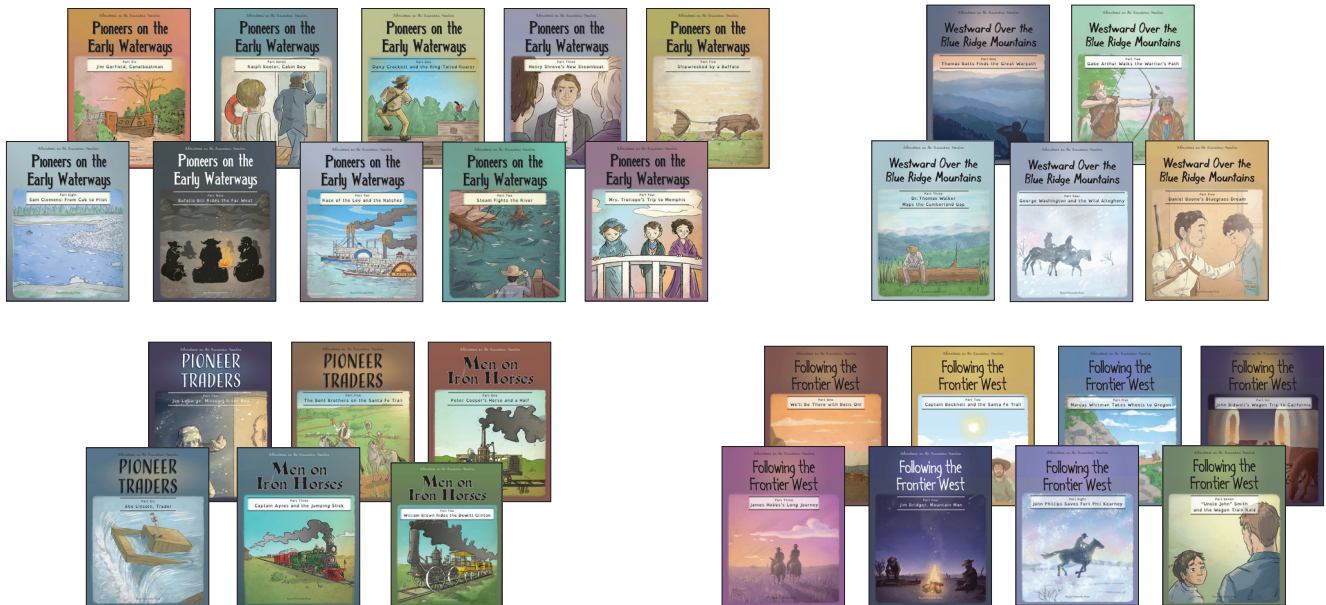
Dyslexia-Friendly Special Edition Books

ADVENTURES ON THE AMERICAN FRONTIER

The Adventures on the American Frontier series is a collection of books that introduce children to some of the people who helped to shape America, many of whom never get mentioned in traditional history textbooks. These books are illustrated and feature QR codes that link to a dynamic reading of the text. Varying between the third- and eighth-grade reading levels, the books enable children to learn about some of the lesser-known pioneers, explorers, and adventurers who helped to form the United States; they also include stories that most people may never have heard about more well-known figures. Together, they offer a fascinating view of the rich, complex tapestry of people and events that have contributed toward making America what it is today.

Each set is comprised of its own small series of two to ten books and is based on a standard-format novel of the same name. Although the books in each small series are numbered in sequence, each title also works as a standalone book, allowing readers to select single titles of interest or the entire set. For a full list of individual titles and book descriptions, visit rfwp.com.

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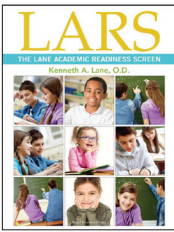


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Vision Therapy to Aid Children with Reading Difficulties

by Kenneth A. Lane, O.D.

LARS: The Lane Academic Readiness Screen



The Lane Academic Readiness Screen (LARS) is a questionnaire that is designed to identify children who may be at risk for possible academic difficulties due to reading or vision problems. This is primarily for children ages four to six, but it could be useful for children of all ages. The questionnaire is used to identify problems in directionality, laterality, gross motor skills, visual motor skills, simultaneous and sequential processing, eye tracking, and attention.

Once a child has been tested using the LARS, adults can plan a program to help address the problems identified by the results. The LARS directs users to specific packages of workbooks that contain activities and therapy procedures that will help the child improve reading speed and proficiency.

Link to the LARS website: <http://visiontest.rfwp.com>



9639 LARS \$20.00

Workbook Packages:

- KL08** Dyslexia Workbook Package (9660, 9677, 9684, 9721, 9653, 9707, 5820, 5813, 5806) **\$170.00**
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- KL06** Visual Motor Skills Workbook Package (5776, 5820, 9714, 9691) **\$70.00**

Note: The workbooks are more effectively used in conjunction with one another, as organized in the packages. In addition, the packages offer a discounted price for the workbooks. Please visit rfwp.com for more information.

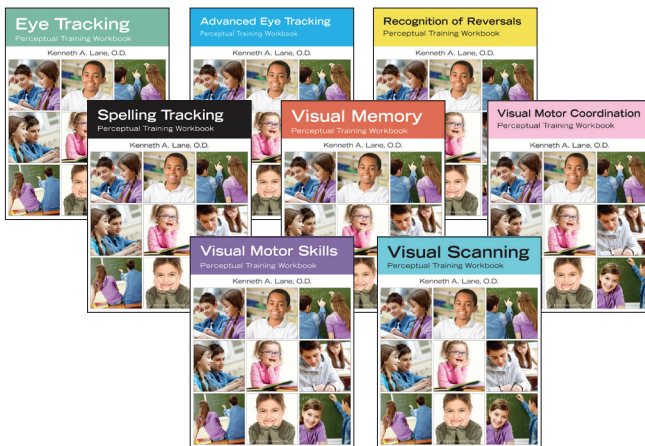
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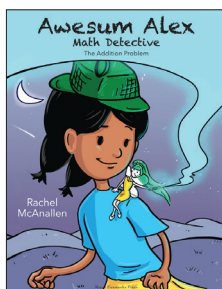


BOOKS IN STANDARD FONTS THAT CONTAIN OTHER HELPFUL FEATURES

Dyslexia has been a concern for us at Royal Fireworks since our founding, and that concern is reflected in our publishing in ways that go beyond special fonts. In all of our books, we favor two spaces after the period at the end of sentences; that makes the sentences easier to comprehend for many people with visual processing challenges. For younger readers especially, our books also feature larger type fonts, more space between the lines, wider margins with shorter lines of text, and smaller amounts of text on a page to ensure that those children with visual processing difficulties have a better chance at being able to understand the material. We are also offering an increasing number of books with an audio component, and a select few of our titles are available as fully narrated videos. The books in this section of the catalog are noteworthy in that they include most or all of these features and accommodations, enabling even children who struggle to read the opportunity to access beautiful and intellectually exciting books.



Awesum Alex: The Addition Problem



by Dr. Rachel McAnallen and Carol Ann Williams

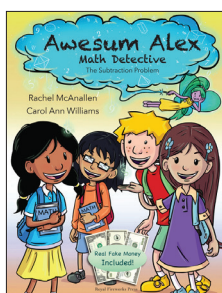
Alex, a precocious fifth-grade math detective, embarks on a mathematical mystery. The adventure leads her to question the tradition of adding the right-hand column of numbers first in an addition problem and opens up a new understanding for her about the ways in which we do math.

This elementary math text welcomes children into the story and provides them with valuable information that they are unlikely to find just about anywhere else. Rachel McAnallen and Carol Ann Williams are two of America's most creative and innovative math educators and teacher trainers, and in the accompanying implementation manual, they explain how to make addition at once comprehensible and exciting to children.

6346 Awesum Alex: The Addition Problem: Student Book (65 pp.) **\$15.00**

6353 Awesum Alex: The Addition Problem: Implementation Manual (25 pp.) **\$12.50**

Awesum Alex: The Subtraction Problem



by Dr. Rachel McAnallen and Carol Ann Williams

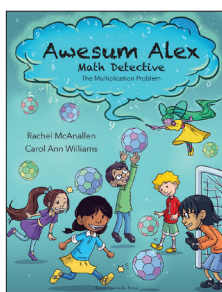
Gray is apprehensive about her first day at her new school, until she meets Pi, a tiny math guru who assures her that she will meet and befriend other mathematically precocious students like herself. Mrs. Googol-Plex's classroom is a magical place where Gray, Alex, and friends learn simple and surprising new ways to understand subtraction.

Because the characters in the story learn about subtraction primarily through the use of money, this book comes with a packet of fake money that children can use to practice with.

7109 Awesum Alex: The Subtraction Problem: Student Book (90 pp.) **\$20.00**

7116 Awesum Alex: The Subtraction Problem: Implementation Manual (38 pp.) **\$12.50**

Awesum Alex: The Multiplication Problem



by Dr. Rachel McAnallen and Carol Ann Williams

Emerson is starting the year at a new school, and he has all of the usual apprehensions plus one more: he is dyslexic, and he struggles with letters and numbers "jumping around" on him. Fortunately for him, he's been assigned to Mrs. Googol-Plex's classroom, where he is quickly befriended by Alex and her friends. This year the children are learning multiplication, and Emerson discovers that calling numbers by their place value names is a critical step in overcoming his dyslexia in math, not to mention understanding the true concepts behind mathematical reasoning.

8487 Awesum Alex: The Multiplication Problem: Student Book (98 pp.) **\$20.00**

8494 Awesum Alex: The Multiplication Problem: Implementation Manual (34 pp.) **\$12.50**

Awesum Alex Set

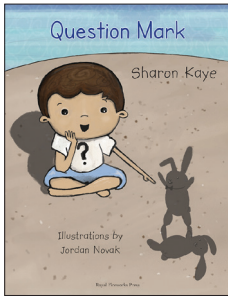
This set includes all six of the Awesum Alex books: *The Addition Problem* student book and implementation manual, *The Subtraction Problem* student book and implementation manual, and *The Multiplication Problem* student book and implementation manual. The set provides a discount over purchasing the books separately.

6353S Awesum Alex Set **\$80.00**

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Question Mark



by Dr. Sharon Kaye

Question Mark is less of a textbook and more of a picture book, with mind-opening ideas and activities conveyed through words and images working together. The fifteen chapters fall into three parts, corresponding to the three central philosophical skills we want children to develop: questioning, doubting, and being certain. These are fundamental skills that have inspired great thinkers throughout the history of civilization to build and transform the intellectual world.

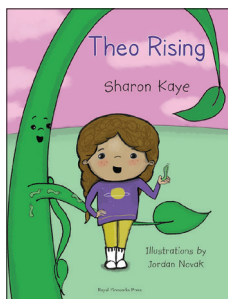
In *Question Mark* the central issue is: *Can we know anything for certain?* In the story, Mark helps a shadow-rabbit escape from a dog named Dogma, who is trying to eliminate uncertainty once and for all.

The teacher manual fills in the historical and philosophical background with references to Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Hypatia, Descartes, Locke, Hume, Kant, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Mill, Dewey, Russell, and de Beauvoir. The glory of the book is that it not only makes this intensely intellectual fare easily comprehensible but also actualizes its affective content so that children can feel the emotional importance of the philosophical concerns.

2928 Question Mark: Student Book (110 pp.) **\$30.00**

2850 Question Mark: Teacher Manual (34 pp.) **\$17.50**

Theo Rising



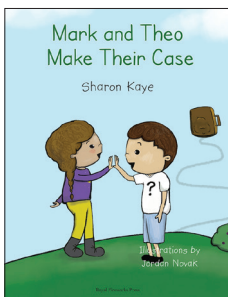
by Dr. Sharon Kaye

Theo Rising is the second book in the Royal Fireworks philosophy curriculum. It features a young girl named Theo who learns about various theories posed by the earliest Greek philosophers, the Presocratics, who asked about the nature of the world around them and deliberated on an essential building block for everything in the universe. Theo learns about the concepts of earth, water, air, fire, and numbers as the ultimate source of everything else, and she discovers different criteria with which to judge between the competing theories. Children are introduced to these philosophical concepts in a fun, creative, innovative way that makes them accessible, even to the very young.

2904 Theo Rising: Student Book (112 pp.) **\$30.00**

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Mark and Theo Make Their Case



by Dr. Sharon Kaye

Mark and Theo Make Their Case is the third book in the Royal Fireworks philosophy curriculum. Readers will remember Mark and Theo from the first two books, and they will delight to find them brought together as they debate against Will, the architect of their world who is also the star of *Will Power*, a book further on in the series.

Will has decided that the world he drew for Mark and Theo is imperfect and therefore is not worth maintaining. Mark and Theo argue against this idea, insisting that something that is not perfect can still be good. Children learn about principles originally put forth by Plato in his quest for a perfect world and Aristotle's rejection of that world. They learn how to identify a problem, make an argument, and make objections. In the process, they watch Mark and Theo work together toward a surprising conclusion that ultimately convinces Will that, though imperfect, they are perfect as they are.

6940 Mark and Theo Make Their Case: Student Book (110 pp.) **\$30.00**

6957 Mark and Theo Make Their Case: Teacher Manual (29 pp.) **\$17.50**

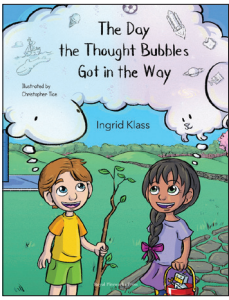
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Eastern Philosophy / Divergent Thinking

The Day the Thought Bubbles Got in the Way

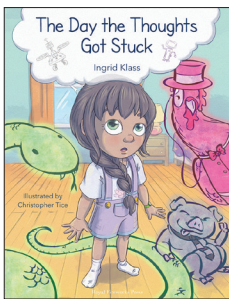


by Ingrid Klass

Play should be fun for Rosa and Kevin, but they find that their thoughts make them dissatisfied. This engaging story, told in rhyme, follows them as they learn how to transform their thinking so that they can be happy. Beautifully illustrated, this book leads young children into the foundations of Buddhist philosophy. Pages in the back provide an explanation of the philosophy, questions for discussion, and resources for further exploration.

4485 The Day the Thought Bubbles Got in the Way (52 pp.) **\$20.00**

The Day the Thoughts Got Stuck

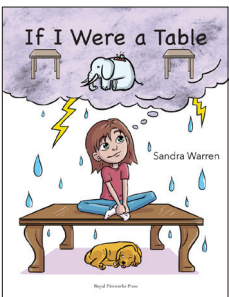


by Ingrid Klass

Rosa wants a robot for her birthday, but when she doesn't get the one she wants, she finds that her angry and dissatisfied thoughts stick to her like glue, and she can't seem to get rid of them. Three unusual characters arrive, each promising to remove the negative thoughts from her head, but each one fails and in fact only serves to make the situation worse. Finally a new character appears, and it leads Rosa to the truth about how to combat ignorance, hate, and greed so that she can find happiness, even when things don't go exactly as planned. This fun story, told in rhyme, is delightfully illustrated and includes pages in the back that provide an explanation of the basics of Buddhist philosophy, questions for discussion, and resources for further explanation.

5981 The Day the Thoughts Got Stuck (76 pp.) **20.00**

If I Were a Table

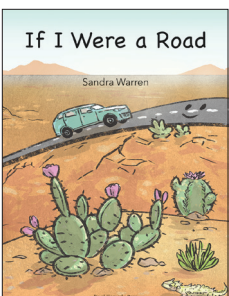


by Sandra Warren

If I Were a Table is a storybook for young children that encourages them to use their imagination to think of all the ways in which tables can be used. It includes a large activity section containing exercises that enable children to practice creative and divergent thinking skills. It is a creative approach to learning that will engage children and allow them to stretch their thinking in new and imaginative ways.

1873 If I Were a Table (50 pp.) **\$13.00**

If I Were a Road



by Sandra Warren

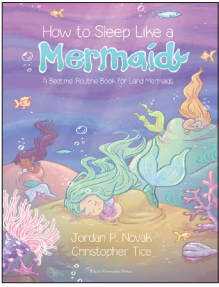
Travel down the boulevard to imagination and divergent thinking. *If I Were a Road* features an illustrated story that will send children's minds to destinations far and near, as well as a large activity section that will allow them to practice their creative thinking skills. This book is a captivating and creative approach to learning.

1439 If I Were a Road (54 pp.) **\$13.00**

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Mindfulness

How to Sleep Like a Mermaid: A Bedtime Routine Book for Land Mermaids



by Jordan Novak

Calling all Land Mermaids! What's a Land Mermaid? It's a mermaid who lives on land, of course! Could your child be one of them? We think so!

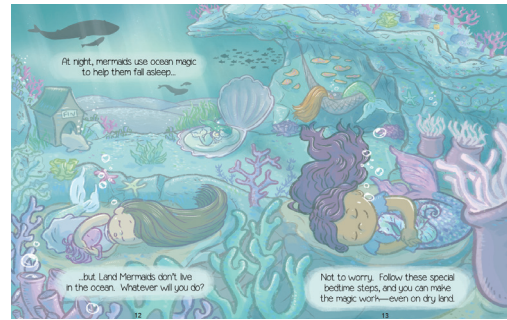
How to Sleep Like a Mermaid takes kids on a dazzlingly illustrated journey to discover the important bedtime steps that real mermaids take to get ready for sleep. This enchanting bedtime routine covers winding down, brushing teeth, and changing into pajamas, as well as a few special mermaid steps that will delight young readers and make getting ready for bed as magical as a visit to the underwater world.

Following a consistent bedtime routine has been shown to have numerous benefits for children, including helping kids fall asleep faster and more easily, improving sleep quality, supporting emotional well-being, and enhancing family bonding. Using a mermaid bedtime routine can make the experience even more special, adding a sense of serenity and helping to create treasured bedtime memories for years to come.

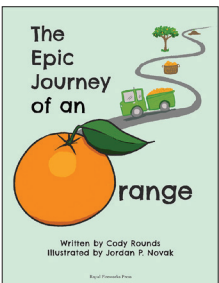
1231 How to Sleep Like a Mermaid (28 pp.) **\$13.00**

"A beautiful bedtime book bringing land mermaids, like you and me, back to the sea of calm. This book is a mindful addition to any bedtime routine."

– Sarah



The Epic Journey of an Orange



by Cody Rounds

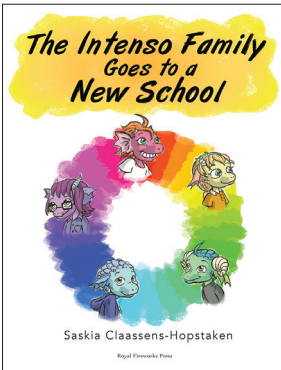
Most of us eat without thinking much about it. In fact, we're usually doing something else at the same time, such as watching TV or reading or playing on our phones. Eating mindfully enables us to become more aware of the food that nurtures us, and it allows us to appreciate, not just the food itself, but the time and effort that so many people put forth in order to get that food to us. A simple snack such as an orange is not in fact simple at all when children learn the extraordinary journey that it made to go from a seed to a tree to a fruit, then from an orange grove to a truck to a distribution factory to a grocery store and more. A surprising number of people are involved in every stage of the orange's journey. When

children know that, when they appreciate all that is involved, they can spend some time enjoying their food, exploring its tastes and textures—and, not unimportantly, how it makes them feel after they've eaten it. Mindful eating offers benefits of more than just awareness and focus but also of gratitude and appreciation, which all of us—not just our children—could use a little more of.

6926 The Epic Journey of an Orange (27 pp.) **\$11.00**

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The Intenso Family Goes to a New School



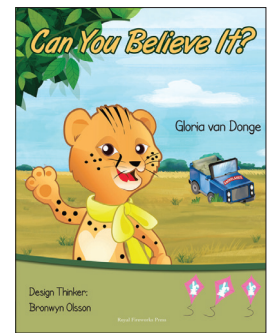
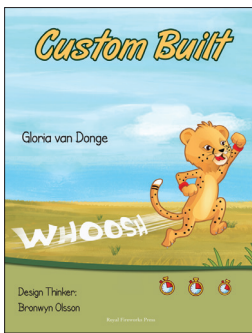
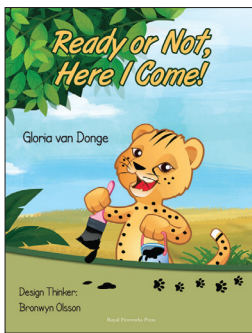
by Saskia Claassens-Hopstaken

The Intenso family has just moved to a new city, and the five children are anxious about their first day at school. They each represent one of the five intensities—also known as overexcitabilities—that are common among gifted children, and they display their hopes and fears in five very different ways. Children who have one or more of the overexcitabilities will recognize themselves in the characters and will learn strategies to help alleviate some of the problems associated with having such intense feelings.

The Intensos march bravely into their new school, where they meet their new teacher. She explains to them that she understands how they feel and that she will do everything she can to make their experience exciting and rewarding. The quintuplets are reassured and enter their new classroom together with the confidence that comes from being accepted as they are.

6348 The Intenso Family Goes to a New School (68 pp.) **\$15.00**

The Cheetah Stories for Young Gifted Children



by Gloria van Donge

The Cheetah Stories are illustrated picture books for young gifted children who need help understanding the difficulties that come with their gifts and who must learn to appreciate their strengths rather than focus on their struggles. Each book tells an engaging story, which is followed by pages for the child that contain questions and activities, as well as pages for adults that offer information and tips about what to talk about with the child.

The characters in the books illustrate several of the difficulties commonly encountered by gifted children, and yet they all also demonstrate how to deal with such issues in a positive and often a proactive way. These books are an important first step toward enabling gifted children to feel good about themselves for exactly who they are.

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PRELIMINARY LEVEL: THE POODLE LEVEL

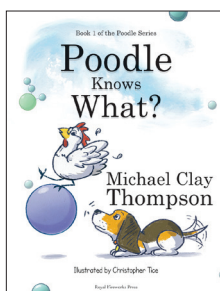
Every book in this series has won a Gold Mom's Choice Award!

The Poodle Level offers children who are not quite ready for Level 1 of the MCT curriculum a chance to enter the program gently, drawing them in with delightful stories, engaging characters, imaginative language, and gorgeous illustrations. Children won't just learn about grammar, punctuation, and poetic techniques; they'll see them in action through Michael Clay Thompson's ingenious use of language to communicate, to allure, to enchant, and to instruct.

Each book in the series is a fun adventure tale featuring Michael's brilliant word play, illustrator Christopher Tice's extraordinary artistry, and a storyline that celebrates both the power of words and the power of friendship, as well as an unabashed willingness to extend that friendship (and an abundance of grammar knowledge!) to others. Even better: Readers can hear Michael narrate the story through the magic of QR code technology. On every level, this series is pure creative genius.

The Poodle books are masterful works that are unconventional in their execution and that challenge students on multiple levels of intellectual and academic sophistication, yet they remain inviting and accessible, welcoming children into the world of language arts.

The six books that make up the series follow a single storyline and are meant to be read in order.



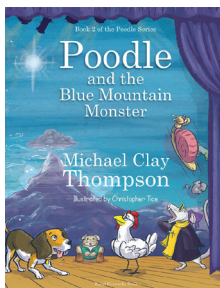
Poodle Knows What?

The first book in the series introduces children to Poodle the chicken and his best friend, a beagle named What?. Ultimately Sidney the snail joins the two pals, and together the trio explores the first level in Michael's four-level sentence analysis: the parts of speech.

9387 Poodle Knows What?: Student Book (114 pp.) **\$30.00**

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Poodle and the Blue Mountain Monster

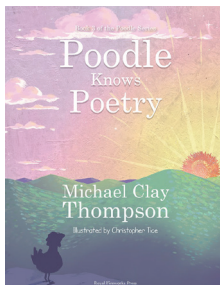


Book 2 picks up where the first volume left off by delving into the parts of the sentence, level two of MCT four-level sentence analysis. We join the three pals on their journey to the top of Blue Mountain, where they encounter the monster Dickinson. Despite his fearsome attempts at preventing them from arriving, Dickinson turns out to be a pretty great guy, and he proves both his friendship and his worth as the series progresses.

9248 Poodle and the Blue Mountain Monster: Student Book (107 pp.) **\$30.00**

9255 Poodle and the Blue Mountain Monster: Instructor Manual **\$35.00**

Poodle Knows Poetry



We take a break from grammar to discuss poetry and poetic techniques, which are invaluable to understanding how to write not just correctly but *well*. Poodle is perhaps the world's most knowledgeable scholar-chicken, and he teaches his three pals and the author (who is actively ornery) all about poetic devices such as rhyme, alliteration, meter, and more. It also just so happens that the entire book is filled with those same devices. (I told you the author was ornery!) Oh, and there's another monster. And yes, they befriend him as well.

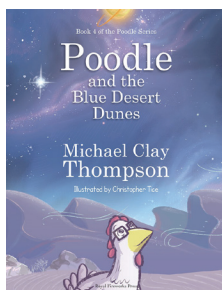
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Poodle and the Blue Desert Dunes

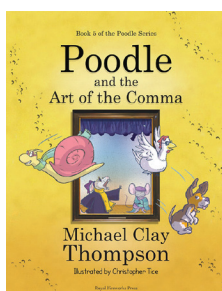


In Book 4, the friends pick back up their grammar quest and explore level three of MCT four-level sentence analysis: phrases. While there are several different kinds of phrases, the focus in this book is on prepositional phrases, which are a good place to start for children just embarking on their grammar journey. In this volume, Poodle and his pals find themselves in the desert, which, although it can be harsh, is a brilliant example of space and time extending in all directions, and prepositions are exactly the kinds of words that describe these dimensions of existence. Here the friends encounter yet another monster (really!), and he, too, is welcomed into their friendship circle.

9806 Poodle and the Blue Desert Dunes: Student Book (123 pp.) **\$30.00**

9813 Poodle and the Blue Desert Dunes: Instructor Manual **\$35.00**

Poodle and the Art of the Comma

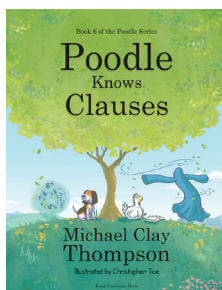


The pals pause from their study of grammar again, this time to immerse themselves in the proper use of the comma, one of the most fundamental (and misused) elements of punctuation. They're searching for What?, who is missing, and they repeatedly take risky leaps off the pages of the book to try to find him. But each time they do, they land in a famous work of art. This volume thus gives the friends both valuable instruction in how to use commas correctly and a wonderful appreciation for various styles of art through masterwork examples.

1309 Poodle and the Art of the Comma: Student Book (138 pp.) **\$30.00**

1316 Poodle and the Art of the Comma: Instructor Manual **\$35.00**

Poodle Knows Clauses



The last book in the series brings our friends to level four, the final level of MCT four-level sentence analysis: clauses. Rather than diving into paintings, Poodle and his pals step into famous poems. After all, what better way to study clauses than to look at some of the most beautiful clauses in the English language? But the characters are not just reading the poems; they are experiencing them as realities that they will never forget. As they explore these new worlds and new concepts, however, a storm brews in the distance, and when it breaks overhead, it gives our friends a chance to come together in a great battle that leaves the whole group appreciative of every lesson they've learned on their six-book journey—both about language arts and about friendship.

2009 Poodle Knows Clauses: Student Book (165 pp.) **\$30.00**

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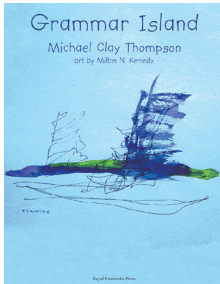
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MCT LEVEL 1: THE ISLAND LEVEL

Level 1, the Island Level, is the entry level for the MCT language arts curriculum. Children are ready for this level once they have passed the stage of learning to read and can read to learn. The student books are wonderful points for children to begin the practice of reading on their own and then discussing the material. Although the material is presented simply, it reaches a surprising level of complexity and sophistication.

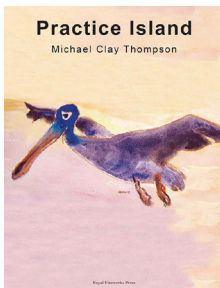
Grammar Island



Grammar Island introduces, in a simple fashion, the full four-level grammar analysis of (1) parts of speech, (2) parts of the sentence, (3) phrases, and (4) clauses. Using color to reinforce the lessons, the book offers grammar in child-friendly ways, with an array of strategies to make sophisticated material dynamic and fun. Each page focuses on a single concept, and the teaching approach is to read together, talk about the concepts, ask questions, refer back to the text, and respond to questions before venturing further. This book will delight children just beginning grammar.

8427 Grammar Island: Student Book **\$37.50**
7574 Grammar Island: Instructor Manual **\$45.00**

Practice Island

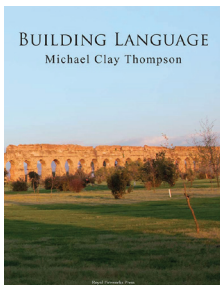


Practice Island is the grammar practice workbook for the first level of the MCT language arts curriculum. Students work through the sentences using the unique four-level analysis method that is introduced in *Grammar Island*. Each of the one hundred sentences appears on a separate page with four blank lines beneath it where students can fill in the parts of speech, the parts of the sentence, phrases, and clauses. By analyzing a wide range of sentences, students will gain a clear understanding of the principles of English grammar.

This useful workbook is meant to be consumable and is therefore offered at a low cost.

8809 Practice Island: Student Book **\$15.50**
8814 Practice Island: Instructor Manual **\$18.00**

Building Language



Building Language provides an introduction to Latin stems as the basis for much of the English language. Using the analogy of the arch in architecture, the book explores the Roman roots of our buildings and the Latin roots of our language.

The book contains a substantial introductory section, which is followed by ten lessons, each one introducing an important Latin stem. Together, these lessons show young students that big words aren't necessarily hard. The stems provide an intellectual key that opens the door for children to a new world of understanding language.

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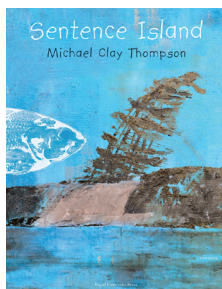
Student books: *Grammar Island, Practice Island, Building Language, Sentence Island, The Music of the Hemispheres, the Mud Trilogy novels*

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Sentence Island



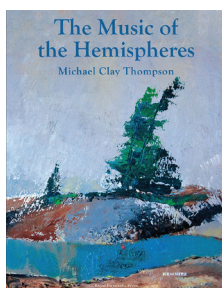
This is an entire book devoted to the sentence. After all, a child who cannot write a sentence cannot write and will never be able to write, so it is essential that children master sentence writing.

Sentence Island tells the story of a fish named Mud who travels to Sentence Island to learn how to write correct sentences. There, he meets an array of quirky characters. From each one, he learns a different aspect of sentence structure and discovers that the careful construction of sentences is both a science and an art. Children will delight in following Mud's story as both he and they learn the rules and concepts that are the essential foundation for formal writing.

6300 Sentence Island: Student Book **\$42.50**

7727 Sentence Island: Instructor Manual **\$52.50**

The Music of the Hemispheres



The Music of the Hemispheres is Michael's introduction to poetics for young children. In this beautiful book, which features extraordinary graphics that call attention to the points being made in the text, children learn that the sounds of words are an important component to good writing.

Chapters cover the basics of rhyme, alliteration, meter, stanza, and similes and metaphors. These elements are brilliantly illustrated through poems by a host of notable poets, as well as original works by Michael himself. This book is a wonderful way to foster an early appreciation for poetry in children.

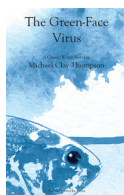
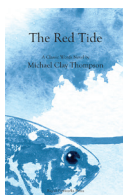
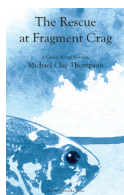
As a special feature, this book contains QR codes that link to audio of Michael reading the poems.

6728 The Music of the Hemispheres: Student Book **\$37.50**

7741 The Music of the Hemispheres: Instructor Manual **\$45.00**

The Mud Trilogy

The Mud Trilogy by Michael Clay Thompson features beloved characters from Level 1 of the MCT language arts curriculum. Michael calls these books "classic words novels" because they are designed to introduce young readers to important words that are widely used in both classic and modern writing. These are action-packed full-length books (about 100 pages each) that are at once instructive and endearing, with charming illustrations scattered throughout. Each one also abounds in alliteration and other poetic techniques. Difficult words are defined at the bottom of each page, allowing students to discover and comprehend new vocabulary while keeping their focus on the story itself.



8401 The Rescue at Fragment Crag **\$12.00**

8418 The Red Tide **\$12.00**

8425 The Green-Face Virus **\$12.00**

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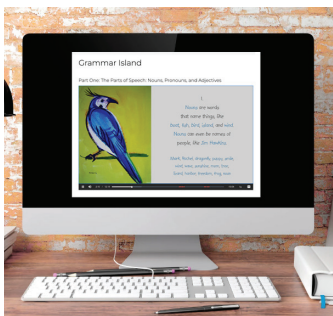
For students with severe dyslexia or other visual processing challenges, traditional reading—even using books with multiple accommodations designed for struggling readers—can be a barrier to learning. But that doesn't mean they should struggle to access knowledge.

That's why we created video editions of some of Michael Clay Thompson's most popular books. We partnered with edTech company Creatium to take the joy and rigor of the MCT curriculum and make it jump right off the page. It's the same curriculum, featuring the same foundational grammar and advanced vocabulary, but now with built-in read-aloud support. Students can both see and hear every word, reinforcing comprehension, focus, and retention.

The MCT video books help keep students engaged and learning, even if they struggle to read, by including such features as full original text narration and adjustable audio speed. Some of the videos include several interactive challenges; all of them contain the same exact content that appears in the print books. And of course, students can pause or stop a video at any point and resume watching it later.

Studies have consistently shown that seeing words on a page or a screen and hearing them read aloud together is a proven strategy for better retention. Further, video books allow students to set their own pace, replay lessons on demand, and gain agency over their learning, which is critical for building confidence and self-reliance. Many children with visual processing challenges have spent a lifetime depending on others to help them access content in order to learn. Video books can assist these students in fostering much-needed independence, a benefit that goes well beyond understanding English language arts.

Titles available include the grammar books in Levels 1-4 and the vocabulary books in Levels 5-7 of the MCT language arts curriculum.



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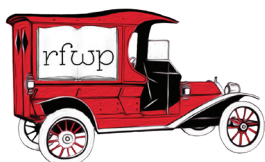
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