

2021 - 700 YEARS SINCE THE DEATH OF DANTE ALIGHIERI



## Divine Comedy

# THE FIRST STEP INTO THE DARK FOREST

DANIELE ARISTARCO illustrated by MARCO SOMÀ

An invitation to journey into Dante's universe.

A precious tool to approach the Divine Comedy.

On the 700th anniversary of Dante Alighieri's death, an illustrated picture book to take the first steps into the work of the Florentine poet. An object of wonder that adds the beauty of Marco Somà's illustrations to Daniele Aristarco's passionate text. Two new looks at the "Divine Comedy", capable of engaging the curiosity and imagination of readers.

In few words, a masterpiece.

PICTURE BOOK

HARDCOVER, 16 EURO, 48 PAGES

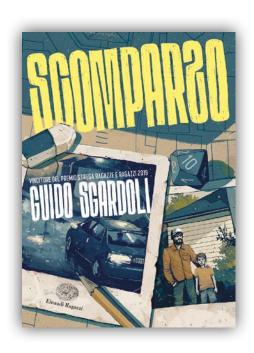
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# Missing

GUIDO SGARDOLI cover illustration by LORENZO CONTI

Who killed former police chief Tony Malden? What lies behind Adam's amnesia? When all the evidence seems to condemn the suspect, an incredible revelation will overturn the entire perspective, and the truth will appear behind a series of Chinese boxes.

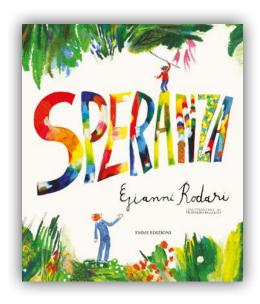
An intricate murder case solved by a young boy with a passion for role-playing games.

The exciting new novel by Guido Sgardoli, winner of the 2019 Premio Strega Girls and Boys.

#### FICTION

HARDCOVER WITH JACKET, 15 EURO, 288+8 PAGES

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# Норе

GIANNI RODARI illustrated by Francesca Ballarini

What could a poet possibly do with a tiny shop? A great deal, if the poet is Gianni Rodari. Thanks to his extraordinary imagination and boundless humanity, Rodari invents a "little shop" where something precious is sold cheaply, or even given as a gift: hope.

A wonderful poem, which at our historically difficult time has also inspired European politicians who often quoted Rodari's words.

## PICTURE BOOK

HARDCOVER, 14,90 EURO, 32+8 PAGES

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# Tropical Christmas

Elisa Binda & Mattia Perego illustrated by Leandra La Rosa

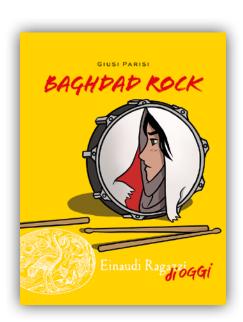
Global warming has melted the snow all over Lapland. Overwhelmed by the heat, Santa Claus wears a Hawaiian shirt and sunglasses, elves wear sombreros and always take siestas and reindeer eat only mangoes and avocados. All because of global warming! To save Christmas, three elves go on a mission. No adults will listen to them, so they will ask children for help through this book.

A funny Christmas fairy tale to reflect on the problems of our planet and learn how to help the environment.

AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

HARDCOVER, 14 EURO, 104 PAGES

Age: from 5



## Baghdad Rock

GIUSI PARISI
cover illustration by
ALESSANDRO BARONGIANI

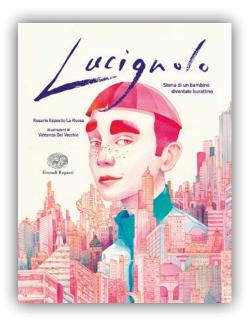
Sally is fourteen years old and lives in Baghdad. Her family is Islamic and her grandfather is strongly traditionalist, but she dresses Western and loves rock music. Her passion for music vibrates within her and fills her world. When her friend Moosa offers her the chance to play drums and start a band, Sally is thrilled. She knows, however, that the people around her would never ever allow her to follow this dream, and if they will find out she was playing hidden in a warehouse with some boys, the consequences would be severe. But her talent cannot remain hidden, and soon Sally will see her future jeopardized and will have to fight with all her might to assert her right to be free, to be who she is.

A story about the power of music, the desire to be free, to be oneself and to make one's dreams come true.

#### A NOVEL

SOFTCOVER, 11 EURO, 128 PAGES

AGE: FROM 11



This is a true story, the story of a child turned puppet who does not have a Geppetto looking after him. There are no blue fairies or magic wands, but a child celebrating birthdays alone.

## Rosario Esposito La Rossa

#### AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

 $\operatorname{Hardcover}$ , 14,90 euro, 56 pages

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IMPRINT: EINAUDI RAGAZZI

## Lucignolo

# STORY OF A CHILD

ROSARIO ESPOSITO LA ROSSA illustrated by VINCENZO DEL VECCHIO

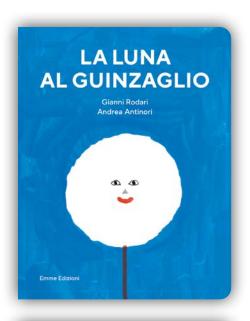
The new book by Rosario Esposito La Rossa (Premio Bancarellino 2020), the story of Lucignolo (Candlewick in Pinocchio's novel) and his father Mangiafuoco.

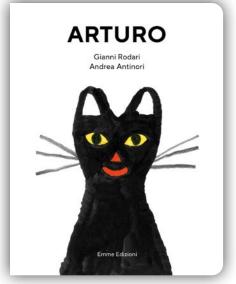
They live in the Land of Toys, transfigured in the illustrations by Vincenzo del Vecchio, in a dreamlike and highly symbolic Scampia.

Lucignolo is a suburban child, a bully who beats everyone and steals snacks at school. His father is never there: he is not there to collect the school report full of zeroes, he is not there during the most important match, he is not there at the Christmas play. Lucignolo tells a lot of lies: his father is not an astronaut, nor does he work on cruise ships. His father is in prison. Expelled from school after beating a classmate, Lucignolo wanders alone in the suburbs, where he meets the Cat and the Fox. They promise him a gold coin which, if planted, makes a tree of money grow. He soon becomes a puppet in the hands of crime.

A story in which fairy tales and crime are mixed up, where a child meets for the first time his father, condemned to a life sentence.

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## When Cats Fly

## Moon on a Leash Arturo

GIANNI RODARI illustrated by Andrea Antinori selection by Maria Cannata

A new series to discover from a very young age the pleasure of being led by the words, rhythm and beauty evoked by the Master of Fantasy.

With splendid illustrations by Andrea Antinori, selected in 2016 among the best illustrators at IBBT and in 2017 among the illustrators exhibited at the Bologna Children's Bookfair.

PICTURE BOOK

BOARD BOOK, 10 EURO, 24 PAGES

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# Garden of the Righteous

DANIELE ARISTARCO cover illustration by IACOPO BRUNO

Tack La Manna is a successful comedian. He is about to go on air with his TV show when an unexpected message prompts him to leave the United States. He flies overseas. in search of the pieces of a mosaic of stories, intertwined with that of his family. He discovers that in the 1940s Europe was overwhelmed in an absolute night that seemed never to end. And yet, in that darkness, thousands of small lights came on. They were the Righteous Among the Nations, non-Jewish men and women who during the Shoah saved Jewish men and women by risking their own lives, without any personal gain. Soon, however, the investigation will prove to be very dangerous, because for every righteous man who deserves to be remembered, many unrighteous people want to be forgotten. And they will be ready to get in Jack's way, by any means.

Straddling the line between historical novel and thriller, the adventure of a man in search of his own past and that of a people.

## **FICTION**

SOFTCOVER, 10 EURO, 192 PAGES

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## AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

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# The Feline Comedy

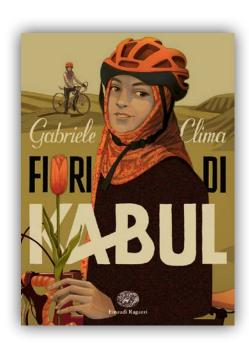
ELISA BINDA & MATTIA PEREGO illustrated by BEATRICE TINARELLI

Midway upon his seven lives, the cat Dante finds himself in a dark forest. To his rescue comes the poet kitty Virgil, with whom he embarks on an incredible journey. In the circles of Feline's Inferno, the two cats (who speak to each other in rhyme!) meet the gluttonous cats, condemned to eat chef Bruno Gattieri's mini-portions, the slothful ones, who always lay on their stomachs, the irascible ones, and many others. After the arduous climb through Feline Purgatorio, Dante arrives at Feline Paradiso, where the blessed cats enjoy baskets of laundry to roll around in, fields of boxes to doze in and even sofas to scratch.

A feline and humorous reinterpretation of Dante Alighieri's immortal masterpiece, 700 years after his death.

For those who love Dante, for those who love cats and for those who love both.

A poet cat will make everyone fall in love with Dante Alighieri!



# Flowers of Kabul

GABRIELE CLIMA cover illustration by IACOPO BRUNO

Maryam lives in Kabul. Like for many Afghan girls, her father is faithful to the rigid and ultra-conservative tradition of the country, which denies women any form of freedom. One day, a foreign woman stopped at Maryam's house. She is crossing Afghanistan on her bicycle. For Maryam, this encounter will mark a turning point. Women in Afghanistan are not allowed to ride bicycles; it is forbidden to protest, to play sports in public, to leave the house without permission. But Maryam knows that things can be changed. And when she is old enough to make her own decisions, she will choose a bicycle as a means of emancipation. Her journey will not be a simple one: it will be an example for men and women, a small silent revolution through one of the countries with the highest gender discrimination.

Inspired by a true story, a novel about the strength of women who challenge taboos.

### A Novel

SOFTCOVER, 12 EURO, 160 PAGES

AGE: FROM 12



## A Christmas Carol

CHARLES DICKENS translated by PIERDOMENICO BACCALARIO illustrated by MAYUMI OONO

The timeless tale of the greedy Scrooge remains one of the greatest Christmas classics after 150 years.

A new edition with modern, original illustrations by an international artist: the Japanese illustrator Mayumi Oono.

## AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

HARDCOVER WITH JACKET, 16,50 EURO, 192+8 PAGES

AGE: FROM 8



# The steel wire

KATJA CENTOMO illustrated by MATTIA CERATO

Nobody lives in the village of Baravex anymore. At the end of the Second World War, it was teeming with children, and the poor, large families cooperated to make a living, taking advantage of everything the mountains had to offer. Today, when three kids pitch their tent among the ruins surrounded by larch forests, the silence is only disturbed by the sound of the stream. The only silent witness to the past is the old steel wire used to transport the wood. For more than seventy years, the cable stretched across the void has borne the burden of a terrible story.

A fantastically inspired story that takes shape from real events: places and characters are seen through the memories of those who spent the years of war, survival and partisan struggle up in the mountain, giving us an unprecedented glimpse of what it meant to be a child in 1945 at 2,000 metres above sea level.

A ghost story and a true story, a love story and a death story... that is the Mountain.

## A Novel

SOFTCOVER, 12 EURO, 144 PAGES

AGE: FROM 12



## Christmas Nursery Rhyme

GIANNI RODARI illustrated by VALERIA PETRONE

What is in Santa's sack? Sweets, dolls, and teddy bears. Brand new toys and the latest inventions to celebrate with children the traditional feast of love... but also science and progress, which are a real miracle when they help us live better and build a peaceful future.

A new picture book by Gianni Rodari, entirely dedicated to the most beautiful feast of the year.

PICTURE BOOK

HARDCOVER, 14,90 EURO, 32+8 PAGES

AGE: FROM 4





# The Red Sled

JOLANDA RESTANO illustrated by ANGELO RUTA

The red sled is the story of Graziella, a cheerful, lively, and curious little girl who finds herself living in a difficult time: The Second World War. A war that tries to force its way into her daily life, but which does not deprive her of friends, hope, fantasy, and her beloved red sled, which is a toy, a symbol and even more.

A true story, told to keep memory of the war years alive.

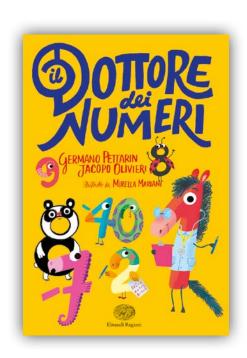
The story of a great friendship in wartime.

#### AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

HARDCOVER WITH JACKET, 12 EURO, 128 PAGES

Age: from 8





## The numbers doctor

GERMANO PETTARIN
JACOPO OLIVIERI
illustrated by MIRELLA MARIANI

In Numberworld, life flows happily in the village of Integer Plus. It could not be otherwise: its inhabitants, the Positive Numbers, are always cheerful and optimistic. Until the day when a frightening contagion strikes the village: an infestation of minus signs begins to turn everyone into Negative Numbers, sad and depressed. What has happened? Is it possible that the mysterious illness has something to do with the surprise visit of an envious irrational number, the magic arts expert Pi?

After "Maths sucks!", "The island of the numbers", "To be squared... we need circles!" and "The revenge of the 4 operations", a new hilarious adventure in the world of numbers!

A blaze of laughter!

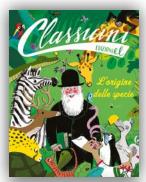




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AGE: FROM 7









## Classicini

## On the Origin of Species

Daniele Aristarco illustrated by Sara Not

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# Kindness at Christmas



GIUDITTA CAMPELLO illustrated by NINAMASINA

Christmas is back! The time of snow, cinnamon biscuits, presents, family meals and twinkling lights on fir branches is back. Christmas is, above all, the time to be together, the time to share precious moments, the time to rediscover the unique value of a kind gesture.

Eight stories to tell the magic of Christmas through the simplest gestures that come from the heart.

EIGHT STORIES IN A BOOK

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AGE: FROM 3





## Like a Garden

## READING POETRY TO CHILDREN

GRAZIA GOTTI cover illustration by FRANCESCA RIZZATO

A book that is an essential tool for conveying the beauty and depth of poetry to children and young people. A valuable aid for schools, libraries, families, a guide to prepare poetic paths to be shared with young readers.

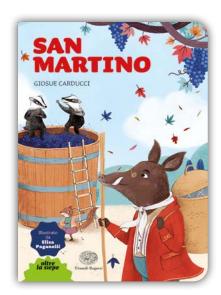
Everyone can read poetry, even the youngest.

With a text by Roberto Piumini.

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SOFTCOVER, 11,50 EURO, 128 PAGES

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# Beyond the Hedge

GIOSUE CARDUCCI **San Martino** illustrated by ELISA PAGANELLI

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# Nobody flunks anyway!

VIVIANO VANNUCCI cover illustration by PAOLA MOMENTÈ

Diego is thirteen years old. At the beginning of the school year, he decides to stop studying because it is pointless. The school prizes everyone: those who never work hard, the "smart ones" who copy homework and even bullies like Brando. his rival and classmate. Reprimands, bad grades, and disciplinary notes only serve to make him feel stronger and more self-confident: "Nobody flunks anyway", he keeps repeating. Until an insult to a teacher gets him a suspension and the real threat of flunking out. Diego will then begin to understand the extent of his actions and will have to choose whether to start studying or continue his challenge to the school.

A story about the difficulty of growing up, of being listened to and of finding firm points and models of life.

A NOVEL

SOFTCOVER, 11 EURO, 240 PAGES

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## Maestro Gianni

GIANNI RODARI **The Trained Horse**illustrated by ANAIS TONELLI

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PICTURE BOOKS, SMALL FORMAT 10 TITLES AVAILABLE

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# Return of the wolf

GIUSEPPE BORDI illustrated by Anna Pini

The tranquillity of a mountain village is troubled by a pack of wolves roaming the woods. Andrea, fearing that the animals might become a danger, decides to prepare her seven-year-old son Martin for them. When a wolf pup enters their garden at night, Andrea orders Martin to kill it and the boy injures the wolf's eye. Ten years later, fate will once again confront Martin and his father with the same wolf. Will old fears prevail or will it be time for something new and unexpected?

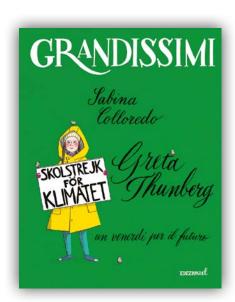
The story of a friendship between a boy and a wolf.

AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL

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# Greta Thunberg

## A FRIDAY FOR THE FUTURE

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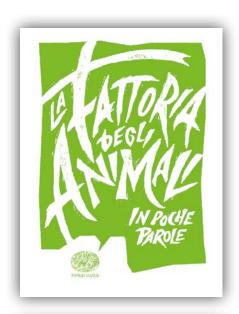
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