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With an ambition to promote young writers and artists, Tudem organizes an annual literature award. Our independent monthly literary review, *lyikitap*, is a meeting point for the children's literature scene in Turkey.

This catalogue is a selection of works by renowned Turkish children's authors and illustrators. We wish you a happy browsing and hope you like our titles as much as we do.

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ÇİĞDEM GÜNDEŞ

Çiğdem started her career as a children's author in 2003. Her short stories, novels and illustrated books were published by several publishing houses. She lives in Istanbul and gets inspired from the children of the town.

5+

Picture book,
28 pages, 19 x 22.5 cm
Themes: quest,
love, playing
Uçanbalık, 2019

A red shoe, a girl and an emotional quest full of fantasy



Red Shoe

KIRMIZI AYAKKABI

Çiğdem Gündeş
Mavisu Demirağ

The girl loves her red shoes and starts searching in despair when one of them is lost. She asks the people and animals around. But can a shoe go anywhere by itself? Is the shoe really lost or is it a game? The girl will find out at the end, and so will the reader!

A PDF review copy in English is available.



OĞUZ DEMİR

Oğuz Demir started his caricature adventure at the famous *Gırgır* magazine. His caricatures and illustrations won 25 international prizes, among them are *Art of Resistance* (NL) and *Urziceni International Cartoon Contest* (RO).

4+

Illustrated story
32 pages, 20.3 x 25.3 cm
Themes: Creativity,
yearning, curiosity,
animals
Uçanbalık, 2019

Perseverance, adventure, flying feathers and lots of chuckles



An Ostrich Can Do Everything

BİR DEVEKUŞU HER ŞEYİ
YAPABİLİR

Oğuz Demir

Days are hard for the ostrich. He keeps on running, because the big tiger chases him all the time. While looking at the flying parrots with yearning, he comes up with a great idea. But will that save him from the tiger at the end?

With this inspiring and humorous story, Oğuz Demir offers a first comic book for little readers.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



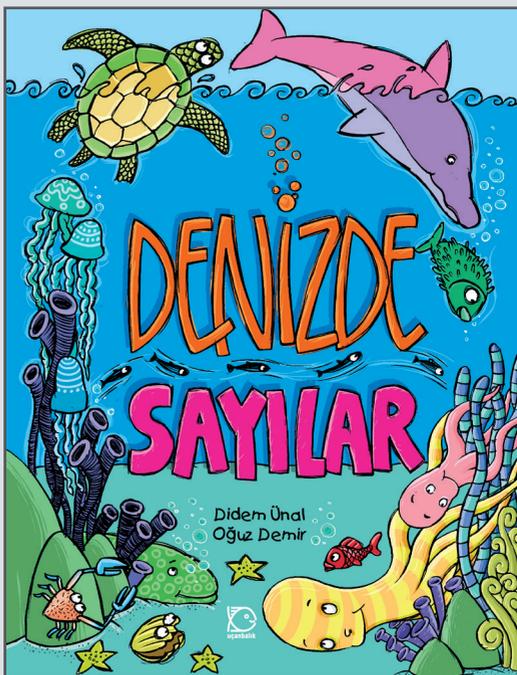
DİDEM ÜNAL

Didem was born in 1974 in Ankara. Since 1995, she is active as a publisher. Her short stories were published in several literary magazines and she works as an independent editor.

4+

Picture book,
48 pages, 20 x 25 cm
Themes: Sea and sea
animals, numbers,
discovery
Tudem, 2018

A playful counting book and an adventure overseas



Numbers in the Sea DENİZDE SAYILAR

Didem Ünal
Oğuz Demir

This book allows little readers to get acquainted with numbers and counting, while enhancing their concentration with the help of little pictorial hints. The fishermen hope to catch some fish, but plenty of baby animals get tangled to their nets. Mother animals will think about a trick to save their kids.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



AYTÜL AKAL

A passionate writer for children, Aytül Akal was Turkey's nominee for ALMA in 2010. Her works consist of short stories, novels, poetry and were translated to several languages. Akal's works sold more than 800.000 copies under Tudem imprints.

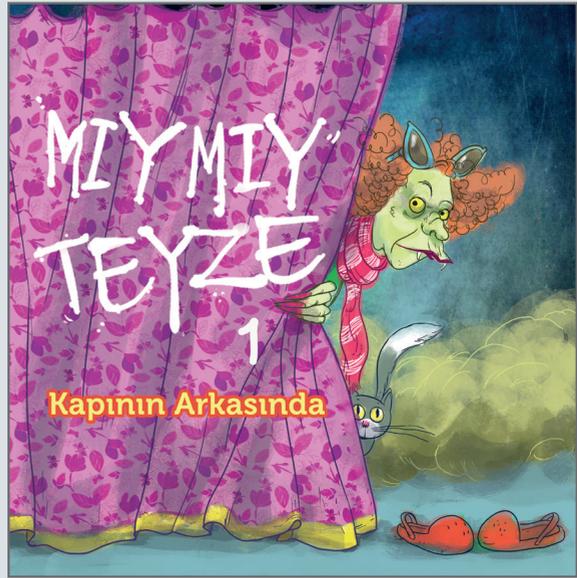
4+

Picture book,
32 pages, 20 x 20 cm,
Themes: Humor, generations
conflict, optimism, friendship
Uçanbalık, 2015

Grumpy Auntie MIYMIY TEYZE

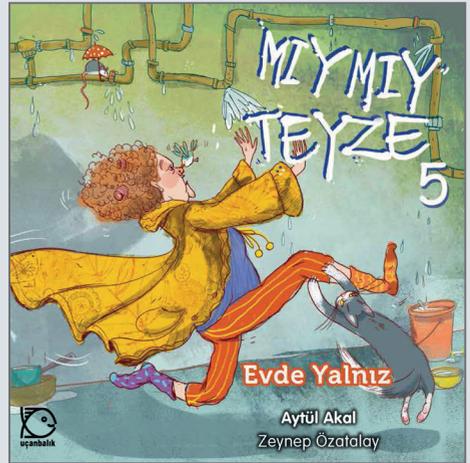
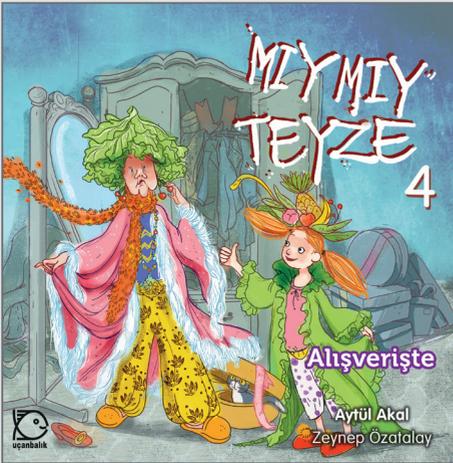
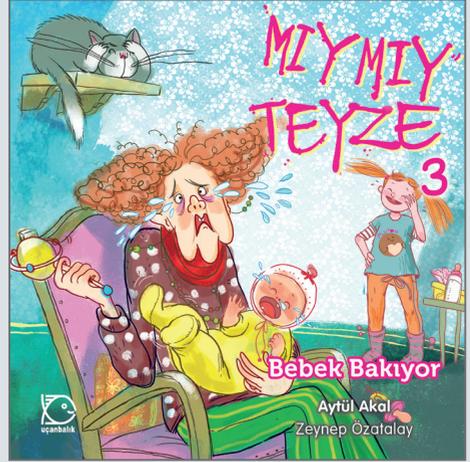
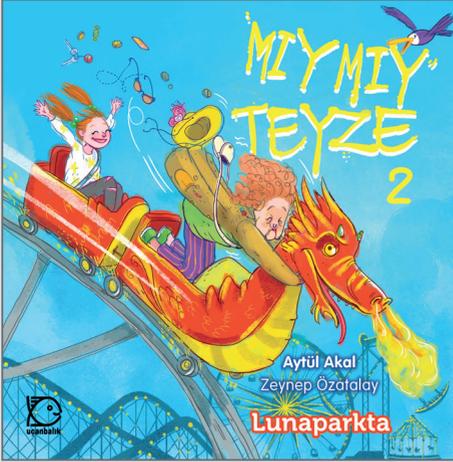
Aytül Akal
Zeynep Özatalay

Don't ever ring the bell! Grumpy Auntie is behind the door!



Grumpy Auntie hates children as they are annoying her by ringing her doorbell, and children think of her as some sort of witch. One day, Grumpy Auntie meets Mine, the girl from next door, and a crazy friendship will bloom! Grumpy Auntie is a humorous series about optimism and friendship between old and young people.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



4+

Picture book,
32 pages, 20 x 20cm,
Themes: Humor, generations
conflict, optimism, friendship
Uçanbalık, 2015



AYLA ÇINAROĞLU

Ayla Çınaroğlu has been writing and illustrating children's books since 1972. She was listed in the certificate of Honor for Writing of IBBY.

4+

Picture book,
32 pages, 20 x 20 cm,
Themes: Starting
school, socializing, skills
Uçanbalk, 2012
Rights sold: Chinese (Simple)

A lovely companion for all school-starters who are not enthusiastic about school



Whiny Kitty

MIZMIZ MIRNAV

Ayla Çınaroğlu
Mustafa Delioğlu

Whiny Kitty is a 7-episode illustrated story of a little kitten who starts the school and encounters a brand new environment. She is a single child and she has to learn skills to tackle with new situations...

A PDF review copy in English is available.



4+

Picture book,
32 pages, 20 x 20cm
Themes: Starting school,
socializing, skills
Uçanbalık, 2012
Rights sold: Chinese (Simple)



SEZA KUTLAR AKSOY

Seza Kutlar Aksoy is known for her fiction and sensitive, playful language. Aksoy is a member of PEN and the Association of Children and Youth Publications.

4+

Picture book,
16 pages, 20 x 20 cm,
Themes: Childhood,
questions and
understanding nature.
Uçanbalık, 2014

The story of asking questions and finding answers



Nil Asks Questions NIL SORU SORUYOR

Seza Kutlar Aksoy
Serap Deliorman

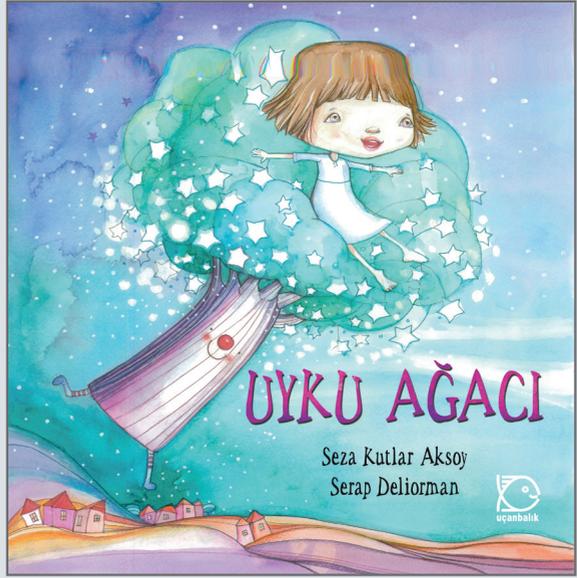
Just like any little child, Nil's head is full of questions. Fortunately, she has her parents who can answer all of them. *Nil Asks Questions* is a colorful, entertaining story encouraging readers to ask questions and seek for answers.

A PDF review copy in English is available.

What is so exciting about being a child when you have to go to bed early?

4+

Picture book,
16 pages, 20 x 20 cm
Themes: Sleep,
dreams, fantasy
Uçanbalık, 2013



The Sleep Tree

UYKU AĞACI

Seza Kutlar Aksoy
Serap Deliorman

Nil prefers playing to sleeping. In her dreams, she finds herself riding a sleep tree, traveling to colorful lands. Yet she will learn why everybody needs a good night sleep. An elegant, poetic sleep book for the very young readers.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



YILDIRAY KARAKİYA

Yıldırım studied Art History. He writes and blogs for children in the site *Bir Dolap Kitap* (A Cupboard Full of Books) and he worked as an editor at *Dünyalı*, a monthly educational magazine.

5+

Picture book,
32 pages, 19.5 x 23 cm
Themes: Girls'
empowerment, achieving
dreams, humor
Uçanbalık, 2018

Princess Nutmeg

PRENSES OLMAK
İSTEMEYEN PRENSES

Yıldırım Karakiya
Gökçe Yavaş Önal

Who wants to be a princess when there's football?



The princess who does not want to become a princess, but to play football with her friends is a classical tale revisited with unconventional gender roles. A story empowering girls and showing that every individual is entitled to choose her own life.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



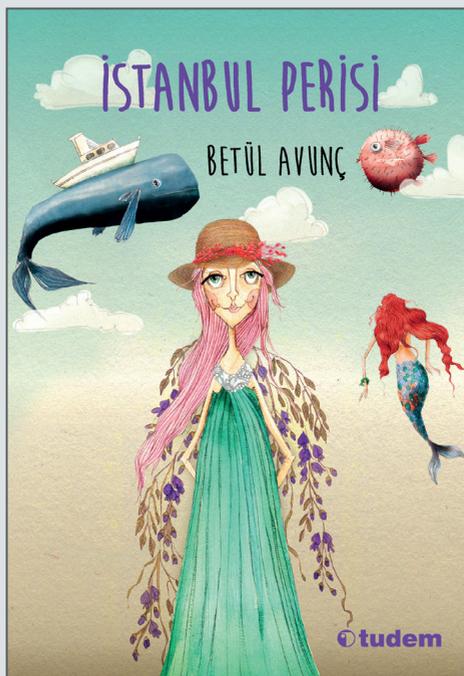
An enchanting cultural trip into the history of Istanbul

BETÜL AVUNÇ

Betül Avunç is an archaeologist by profession. As a children's author, she finds her biggest inspiration in the universal world of archaeology and mythology.

8+

Novel,
144 pages, 13.5 x 19.5 cm
Themes: Mythology,
archaeology, Istanbul
Tudem, 2014
Rights sold:
Macedonian, Georgian



Istanbul Fairy

İSTANBUL PERİSİ

Betül Avunç

A girl encounters a very old woman who claims to be a fairy. Together they go to a trip at the back of a whale and discover the city's majestic monuments, mythological and historical characters and mysterious tales. *Istanbul Fairy* brings history and archaeology together in a fictional story.

A PDF version in English is available.



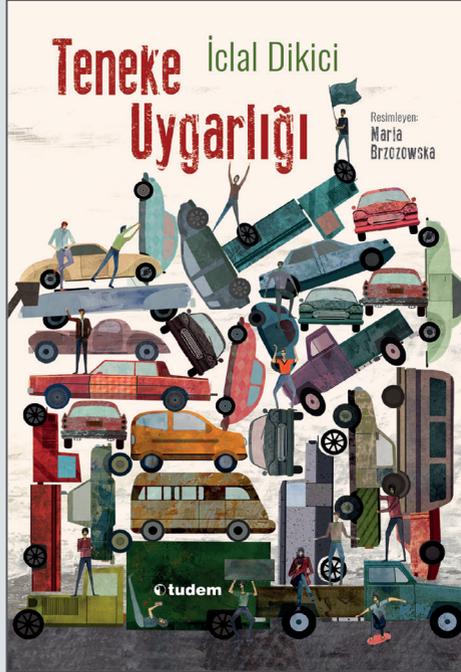
A courageous, symbolic story about freedom, rights and liberties

İCLAL DİKİCİ

İclal loves dreaming with kids, writing about her dreams, passing through old doors and looking through new windows. She prefers the guidance of the heart to that of the mind. *Autoville* is her second novel published by Tudem.

9+

Novel,
136 pages, 13.5 x 19.5 cm
Themes: Rights and liberties, totalitarianism, friendship
Tudem, 2018



Autoville

TENEKE UYGARLIĞI

İclal Dikici
Maria Brzozowska

Atila and Defne meet for the first time when a giant traffic jam causes cars to pile up on top of each other. At the end, a huge hill of cars is formed. Its residents call it Autoville and elect a president who turns the car town into a totalitarian state. Meanwhile, the two kids dream about finding back the nature...

A chapter translation in English is available.



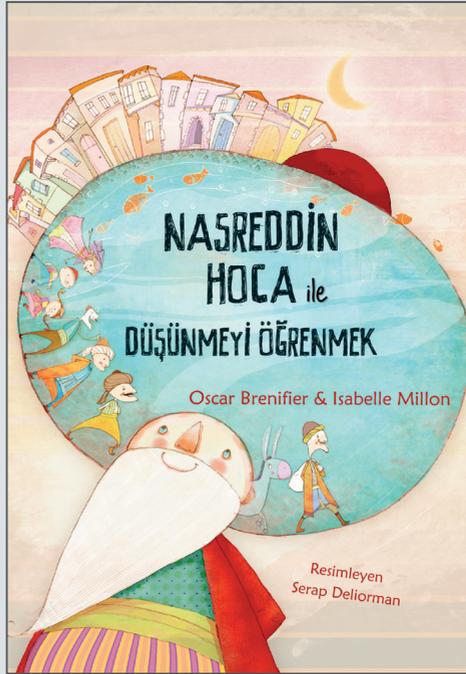
OSCAR BRENIFIER

After completing his doctoral degree in Philosophy, Oscar specialized in philosophy teaching, practical philosophy and philosophy for children. He has founded the Institute of Philosophical Practice and his books were translated into more than 30 languages.

9+

Reference,
176 pages, 15 x 20 cm
Themes: Philosophy,
awareness, responsibility,
judgement
Tudem, 2011

Learning philosophy basics by humor and questions



Learning to Think with Nasreddin Hodja

NASRETTİN HOCA İLE
DÜŞÜNMEYİ ÖĞRENMEK

Oscar Brenifier - Isabelle Millon
Serap Deliorman

Learning to Think with Nasreddin Hodja is no ordinary book: This book puts together 12 satirical Nasreddin stories and 12 philosophical concepts together. Learning is aimed by asking open-end questions and not by dictating what is right or wrong. A suitable reading for both adults and children.

A PDF reading copy in English is available.



BANU AKSOY

Banu Aksoy studied Art History in Istanbul. Since 2010, Banu writes children's books and makes radio programs about children's literature. *Miss Tilted* is her second story published by Tudem.

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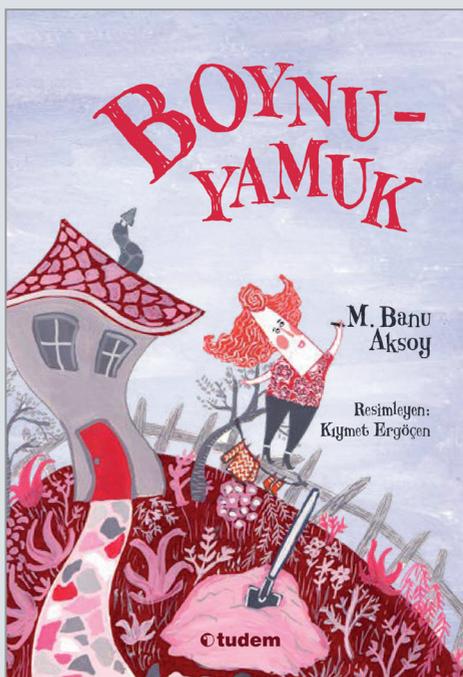
illustrated story,
40 pages, 15 x 21 cm
Themes: Prejudices,
being different,
communication, love
Tudem, 2018

Miss Tilted

BOYNUYAMUK

Banu Aksoy
Kıymet Ergöçen

A beautifully illustrated story celebrating friendship and diversity



In a flat, straight town, people have strict rules and habits they can never let go. Panic breaks up when they see a strange, small, crooked house at the edge of the forest. People are cautious about their new neighbour. But she will bring color to their lives...

A PDF review copy in English is available.



GÜZİN ÖZTÜRK

Güzin Öztürk is a lawyer by profession. She has already three novels published by Tudem. Güzin believes that children can change the world and make it a better place.

8+

Illustrated story
48 pages, 15 x 21 cm
Themes: Consumption
culture, needs and
wants, family, humor
Tudem, 2019

If we can buy more, let's go and buy more!



Tumpatumpa

TUMPATUMPA SAKIN
KAYBOLMA

Güzin Öztürk
Emre Karacan

When the little boy loses his beloved toy, the parents hurry to buy another one. But they like buying so much that at the end they lose themselves (and each other) in a crowd of gadgets.

Tumpatumpa is a short, illustrated story reflecting the modern problem of consumption with an absurd, dark humor.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



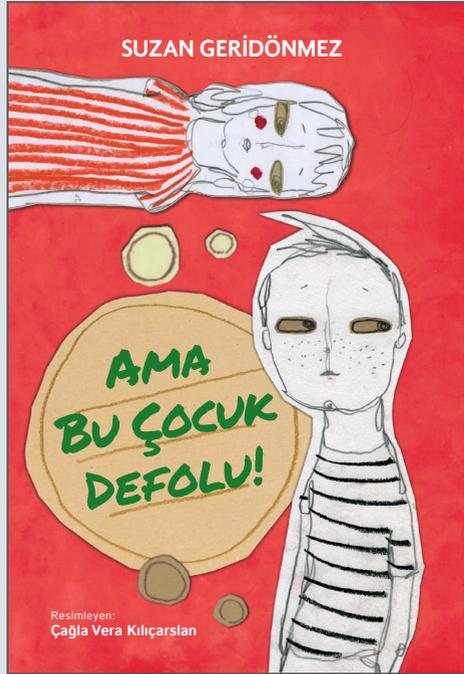
SUZAN GERİDÖNMEZ

Born in 1966 in Germany, Suzan studied German Literature and worked as a librarian. She is still active as a book translator and when she finds a good idea, she writes for young readers.

10+

Novel,
120 pages, 13.5 x 19.5 cm
Themes: materialism,
societal norms,
expectations, change
Tudem, 2016

A world where children are prestige objects for perfectionist families



But This Kid is Defective

AMA BU ÇOCUK DEFOLU

Suzan Geridönmez
Çağla Vera Kılıçarslan

In a fictive world, families purchase perfectly-made kids to enhance their wealth and status. A boy comes to the family as a second child, but he has a big problem: every time he is stressed, he is farting! Hell breaks loose when the parents realise this and exclaim: “But this kid is defective!”

A PDF review copy in English is available.



TOPRAK IŞIK

An engineer by profession, Toprak Işık inspires young readers with his unique entertaining language, while delivering interesting scientific facts along his stories. Işık's 9 books published under Tudem imprints reached a sales figure of 230.000 copies.

9+

Novel,

120 pages, 13.5 x 19.5 cm

Themes: Science,
theory of relativity, girls'
empowerment, success

Tudem, 2017

The coolest story ever about the Theory of Relativity



It's all Relative!

KİME GÖRE NEYE GÖRE

Toprak Işık
Doğan Gençsoy

Beril is not the best student in her class and she has no clue about the theory of relativity. Yet she chooses to explain it to her classmates for a school project. No one can draw so much attention as what Beril will tell about the theory of relativity, including Einstein himself!

A PDF review copy in English is available.



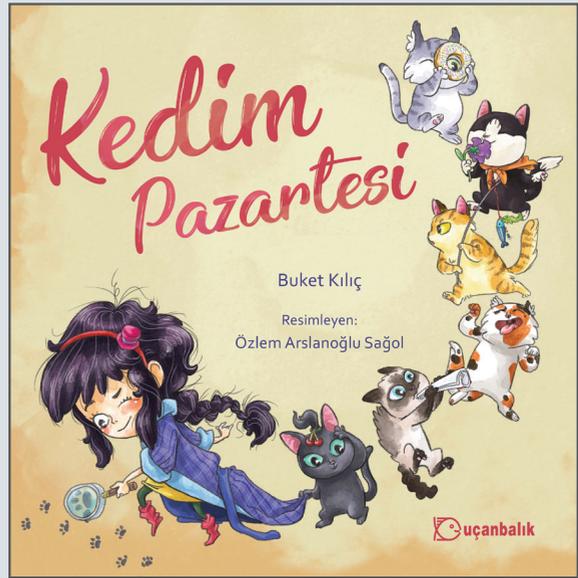
BUKET KILIÇ

After studying Economics, Buket started her professional life as an investment banker. "Searching for Monday" is her first children's book.

4+

Picture book,
32 pages, 20 x 20 cm
Themes: Cats, numbers,
objects, quest
Uçanbalık, 2018

An adventurous kitty-search in a room full of objects



Searching for Monday

KEDİM PAZARTESİ

Buket Kiliç
Özlem Arslanoğlu Sağol

Little Nil has seven cats which she named after the days of the week. But she is not the tidiest person of the world. One day, she realizes that one of her cats is lost... A funny, colorful story for all the little cat people.

A PDF review copy in English is available.



ITIR ARDA

Itir Arda studied civil engineering in Turkey and Germany. Since she prefers words to numbers, she is active as a writer, scenarist and translator. She wrote a number of children's books and created scenarios for TV serials.

9+

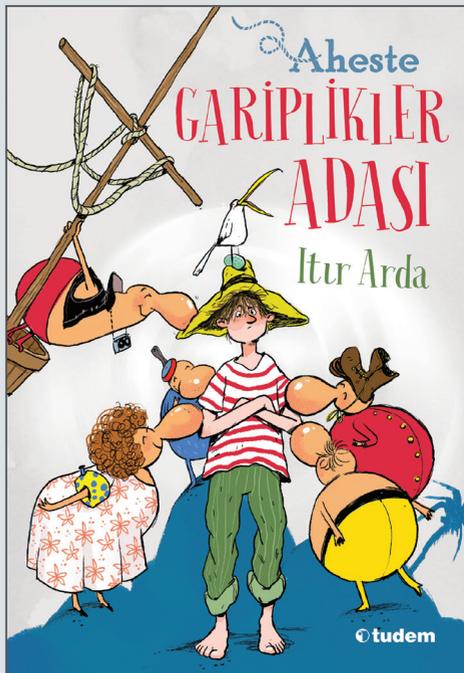
Novel

120 pages, 13.5 x 19.5 cm

Themes: Communication,
languages, cultures,
finding solutions

Tudem, May 2019

Not every island is
a treasure island...
Some are way more
entertaining!



A Very Strange Island

AHESTE - GARIPLIKLER
ADASI

Itir Arda

A storm carries away a sailor and his boat to a very strange island, inhabited by friendly people who have very big noses. They cannot even see the tip of their nose, which makes communication very difficult. Moreover, the sailor needs to repair his boat and a gull decides to lay an egg on his hat...

A PDF review copy in English is coming soon.



CAN GÖKNİL

After studying painting in New York, Göknil became one of Turkey's leading children's illustrators. She was Turkey's 2010 Hans Christian Andersen and 2015 ALMA candidate. Göknil's illustrations won a number of international awards, including the Jenny Smelik Kiggenprijs (1988) and the Golden Balloon Award (1989).

4+

Silent book
36 pages, 21.5 x 25 cm
Themes: Differences,
growing up, friendship
Desen, 2019

“We are not the same, but together we can do great things”



Some Fly Some Run

KİMİ UÇAR, KİMİ KAÇAR

Can Göknil

A blackbird and an ostrich crack their eggs and say hello to the world. Their experience with the world will be entirely different: One can fly and the other can run. But at the end, they will find each other and be great friends.

A colorful illustration of a young girl with brown hair peeking over a dark brown log in a lush jungle. She is looking up at a blue bird with an orange throat and white belly, which is perched on the log. The background is filled with green leaves, some with holes, and small orange and blue insects flying around. The overall style is whimsical and artistic.

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