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This Is 18 Simon and Schuster

Who can resist a good story, especially when it's being told by Grandma? From her bag emerges tales of kings and cheats, monkeys and mice, bears and gods. Here comes the bear who ate some really bad dessert and got very angry; a lazy man who would not put out a fire till it reached his beard; a princess who got turned into an onion; a queen who discovered silk, and many more weird and wonderful people and animals. Grandma tells the stories over long summer days and nights, as seven children enjoy life in her little town. The stories entertain, educate and

provide hours of enjoyment to them. So come, why don't you too join in the fun.

The Spooky Art Penguin UK

A comical story of imagination and friendship—now available as a paperback! Elephant is enjoying a peaceful walk with his green umbrella, when suddenly a Hedgehog says: I believe you have my boat. Elephant listens patiently as Hedgehog insists: I crossed deep oceans . . . tasted the salty spray of whales [in that umbrella-boat]. Cat, Bear, and Rabbit soon interrupt Elephant—each claiming that his umbrella is really their tent, flying machine, and cane. Elephant is flabbergasted—after all, it's an umbrella, and it certainly hasn't been on any adventures more exciting than a walk in the rain. Or has it? Jackie Azúa Kramer and illustrator Maral Sassouni have created a gem in this fun read-

aloud! Praise for The Green Umbrella, hardcover edition A 2017 Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year Mom's Choice Award - Gold A 2017 Parents' Choice Silver Honor The lesson about sharing and generosity is elegantly wrapped around lovely language."—Kirkus Reviews

The Blue Umbrella Penguin UK

When ten-year-old Binya becomes the proud owner of the most beautiful blue umbrella in the world, her happiness knows no bounds. The umbrella becomes her constant companion and protector. But there are others, in the village, who would also like the umbrella for their own and will go to great lengths to get it. Sita lives with her grandparents on a tiny island in the middle of a river. One day, when her grandparents are away the river begins to rise. The friendly stretch of water becomes an angry, rushing flood and Sita watches as her beloved home is washed away. Will she be able to save herself? *The Blue Umbrella* and *The Angry River*, two wonderful stories from one of India's most loved storywriters, Ruskin Bond.

The Umbrella Penguin UK

Great Stories for Children is a collection of some of Ruskin Bond's most delightful children's stories. It stars Toto, the monkey, who takes a fancy to the narrator's aunt, much to her dismay, a python besotted by his own appearance, a mischievous ghost who enjoys stirring up the house when things get dull, three young children stranded in a storm on the Haunted Hill and Ruskin Bond himself, who happens to make the acquaintance of a ghost at a resort late one night.

The Big Umbrella Amar Chitra Katha

"Writing is spooky," according to Norman Mailer. "There is no

routine of an office to keep you going, only the blank page each morning, and you never know where your words are coming from, those divine words." In *The Spooky Art*, Mailer discusses with signature candor the rewards and trials of the writing life, and recommends the tools to navigate it. Addressing the reader in a conversational tone, he draws on the best of more than fifty years of his own criticism, advice, and detailed observations about the writer's craft. Praise for *The Spooky Art* "The Spooky Art shows Mailer's brave willingness to take on demanding forms and daunting issues. . . . He has been a thoughtful and stylish witness to the best and worst of the American century."—The Boston Globe "At his best—as artists should be judged—Mailer is indispensable, an American treasure. There is enough of his best in this book for it to be welcomed with gratitude."—The Washington Post "[The Spooky Art] should nourish and inform—as well as entertain—almost any serious reader of the novel."—Baltimore Sun "The richest book ever written about the writer's subconscious."—The Philadelphia Inquirer "Striking . . . entrancingly frank."—Entertainment Weekly Praise for Norman Mailer "[Norman Mailer] loomed over American letters longer and larger than any other writer of his generation."—The New York Times "A writer of the greatest and most reckless talent."—The New Yorker "A devastatingly alive and original creative mind."—Life "Mailer is fierce, courageous, and reckless and nearly everything he writes has sections of headlong brilliance."—The New York Review of Books "The largest mind and imagination [in modern] American literature . . . Unlike just about every American writer since Henry James, Mailer has managed to grow and become richer in wisdom with each new

book.”—Chicago Tribune “Mailer is a master of his craft. His language carries you through the story like a leaf on a stream.”—The Cincinnati Post

The Green Umbrella Random House Studio

A stunning celebration of girlhood around the world, from the New York Times Featuring and photographed by young women, *This Is 18* is an immersive look at what it means to be on the cusp of adulthood around the world and across cultures. Twenty-two empowering and uniquely personal profiles, expanded from the New York Times interactive feature and curated by Gender Editor Jessica Bennett, with Sandra Stevenson, Anya Strzemien, and Sharon Attia, give teen readers a rare glimpse at the realities and interests of their contemporaries. With stunning photography and a gifty design, *This Is 18* is a perfect tribute to girlhood for readers of all ages.

Boy in a Blue Pullover David C Cook

“A subtle, deceptively simple book about inclusion, hospitality, and welcoming the ‘other.’” —Kirkus Reviews “A boundlessly inclusive spirit...This open-ended picture book creates a natural springboard for discussion.” —Booklist “This sweet extended metaphor uses an umbrella to demonstrate how kindness and inclusion work...A lovely addition to any library collection, for classroom use or for sharing at home.” —School Library Journal In the tradition of Alison McGhee’s *Someday*, beloved illustrator Amy June Bates makes her authorial debut alongside her eleven-year-old daughter with this timely and timeless picture book about acceptance. By the door there is an umbrella. It is big. It is so big that when it starts to rain there is room for everyone underneath. It doesn’t matter if you are tall. Or plaid. Or hairy. It

doesn’t matter how many legs you have. Don’t worry that there won’t be enough room under the umbrella. Because there will always be room. Lush illustrations and simple, lyrical text subtly address themes of inclusion and tolerance in this sweet story that accomplished illustrator Amy June Bates cowrote with her daughter, Juniper, while walking to school together in the rain.

Umbrella in the Sun Penguin

A young girl who has lost her father finds herself at the mercy of a mysterious woman who is not quite what she seems in this atmospheric and unputdownable novel from the New York Times bestselling author of the *Flowers in the Attic* series turned into popular Lifetime movies. Left on a train platform in an unfamiliar village, little Saffron Faith Anders is certain her father will return shortly, just like he promised. She holds out hope even as the hours pass and the station grows dark. When a strange old woman with a large umbrella approaches and inquiries about her situation, Saffron doesn’t immediately trust the imposing do-gooder, but with the chances of her father returning growing ever slimmer, she agrees to rest at the old woman’s house. Her stay was supposed to be for a few minutes, hours at most, but soon, Saffron soon realizes she has been confined to a house of dark secrets and is now at the mercy of the enigmatic Umbrella Lady. One minute grandmotherly and the next wickedly cruel, she shears Saffron’s hair, burns all the clothes she had in her suitcase, and pretends that the photo of a young girl hanging on her bedroom wall is no one in particular. When strange letters arrive from Saffron’s father, claiming that he will send for her shortly, hope returns to her young heart. But Saffron soon discovers that those who claim to love you will often hurt you the

most....

The Umbrella Gallery Books

As soon as Binya saw the beautiful blue silk umbrella, she wanted it. She wanted it so badly that she was willing to give her lucky leopard's claw pendant in exchange. No-one in the village had such a fine umbrella, and everywhere Binya went the umbrella went too. Gradually it faded to a pale blue, and was patched in several places, but there was still many who envied Binya her treasured possession. And the most envious of them all was old Ram Bharosa, the shopkeeper, who decided that by some means he must own the blue umbrella.

Great Stories for Children Penguin UK

A ten-year-old girl spends a busy summer in her city apartment home, turning her room into a palace, a store, and a museum.

The Violet Flash Rupa Publications

Since his childhood; Arun has secretly been in love with Susanna; his dangerously alluring neighbour; who becomes his friend despite the wide difference in their ages. But Susanna has a weakness for falling in love with the wrong men. Over the years; Arun watches as Susanna becomes notorious as the merry widow who flits from one marriage to another; leaving behind a trail of dead husbands. It is only a matter of time before he too begins to wonder if there is any truth to the slanderous gossip surrounding the woman he is in love with. In this gripping new novella of love and death; Bond revisits his previously published short story of the same name; included here in an appendix. This edition also features the screenplay Saat Khoon Maaf; based on this novella and written by award-winning film-maker Vishal Bhardwaj and Matthew Robbins.

The Umbrella Lady Penguin UK

'It feels like I'm on autopilot; I have no control over anything. The pain of losing you is so crippling that I can barely hold pieces of myself together. The slightest nudge could break me. But somehow, my possessed brain knows what I need. It's telling me to stick to my choice, to stay away from you, to open a Word document and bleed on paper, try to throw up all my jumbled thoughts in form of words, collect all disconnected facts, try to make sense of it all.' From the bestselling author of Like a Love Song and Every Time It Rains, a story of heartbreak and things left unsaid...

Letters to My Ex Harper Collins

Momo can't wait to use the red boots and umbrella she received on her birthday. All she needs now is a rainy day! Soft illustrations portray a thoughtful story about patience and growing independence.

The Red Umbrella Penguin

A delectable offering from a writer who not only knows how to make us laugh but also knows how to laugh at himself Playful tigers; 'ghosts'; elephants; crows and old favourites like Uncle Ken; Miss Bun; the author's slightly eccentric grandfather and Bond himself weave in and out of the pages of this wildly eclectic; thoroughly delightful and absolutely irresistible anthology featuring previously unpublished pieces like 'Respect Your Breakfast' and 'Uncle Ken Goes to Sea' as well as beloved classics from Bond's books. Marked by the signature charm and subtle wit of one of India's best-loved writers; Ruskin Bond's Book of Humour; will make even the hardened among us crack a smile.

The Hidden Pool Rupa Publications India

Writing for me is the simplest and greatest pleasure in the world. How to be a Writer is peppered with nuggets of practical advice for every person who is aspiring to write and be published, all told in Ruskin Bond's characteristic understated, tongue-in-cheek, humorous style. So, what is it that a person requires the most to become a writer? A love of books, of language, of life, an observant eye and a good memory along with enthusiasm, optimism and persistence. This book is an exclusive glimpse into the writing credo of Ruskin Bond, an author who has had an incredibly successful writing career spanning over seventy years.

[The Blue Umbrella](#) Penguin Books India

From Conan Doyle and Rudyard Kipling to Satyajit Ray and R. K. Narayan, this text is a collection of spine-chilling tales of the supernatural from India.

Rain in the Mountains Random House

The Umbrella was like a flower, a great blue flower that had sprung up on the dry brown hillside. In exchange for her lucky leopard's claw pendant, Binya acquires a beautiful blue umbrella that makes her the envy of everyone in her village, especially Ram Bharosa, the shop-keeper. Ruskin Bond's short and humorous novella, set in the picturesque hills of Garhwal, perfectly captures life in a village, where both heroism and redemption can be found. It is One of the bestsellers and one of the great works of Ruskin Bond.

[The Blue Umbrella](#) Harper Collins

On a windy day, a little dog finds an umbrella in the garden. Just when the dog picks up the umbrella, it catches the wind and pulls the dog up into the sky. This is the start of a fantastic journey

around the world. The wind carries the umbrella and the dog all over the world, from the desert to the sea, from the jungle to the North Pole. . .

[Susanna's Seven Husbands](#) Abrams

When Zac Sparks's mother dies, he's sent to live in Five Corners with his cruel old Aunties. It isn't long before Zac knows something strange is going on. Five Corners is populated with weird characters—a midget butler, a girl who doesn't speak, a blind balloon seller, a mysterious singer, and the Aunties' father, Dada. Zac's first encounter with Dada is so terrifying that he faints dead away. The one bright spot is Sky Porter, a friendly soul who encourages Zac and shows him kindness. But Sky isn't what he seems either, and when Zac learns Sky's amazing secret he sees that this wonderful man may have a very dark side as well. Discovering that Dada is an evil magician who is intent on stealing the ultimate treasure, Zac knows that many lives are at stake, including his own.

The Blue Umbrella Boyds Mills Press

Ruskin Bond's first novel for children in a whole new look! Laurie, an English boy in a small hill town in India, strikes up an unlikely friendship with Anil, the son of a local cloth merchant, and Kamal, an orphan who sells buttons and shoelaces but dreams of going to college. One day the three discover a secret pool on the mountainside, and it is there that they plan their greatest escapade yet—a trek to the Pindari Glacier, where no one from their town has gone before. This newly illustrated edition of Bond's magical tale of camaraderie and adventure is sure to win over yet another generation of readers.

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