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**Before I Leave** Delacorte Press  
"Always twinkling and brightening my life from near and far, I know this to be true because my grandad is a star" A rhyming tale of love, loss and the everlasting beauty of the relationship between grandparent and grandchild. Follow along as a young girl and her grandad enjoy fun adventures and learn what it means to love your family.  
*We Were Liars* Feiwel & Friends  
It's 1945, and the world is in the grip of war. Hideki lives with his family on the

island of Okinawa, near Japan. When the Second World War crashes onto his shores, Hideki is drafted to fight for the Japanese army. He is handed a grenade and a set of instructions: Don't come back until you've killed an American soldier. Ray, a young American Marine, has just landed on Okinawa. This is Ray's first-ever battle, and he doesn't know what to expect -- or if he'll make it out alive. All he knows that the enemy is everywhere. Hideki and Ray each fight their way across the island, surviving heart-pounding ambushes and dangerous traps. But then the two of them collide in the middle of the battle... And choices they make in that single

instant will change everything. Alan Gratz, New York Times bestselling author of *Refugee*, returns with this high-octane story of how fear and war tear us apart, but how hope and redemption tie us together. Reviews for *Refugee*: "An absolute must read for people of all ages" - Hannah Greendale, Goodreads "Like RJ Palacio's *Wonder*, this book should be mandatory reading..." - Skip, Goodreads "I liked how the book linked history with adventure, and combined to make a realistic storyline for all three characters" - AJH, aged 11, Topsta

[If All the World Were...](#) Penguin

Celebrating magical grandads everywhere. Perfect for father's day! A striking and heart-warming celebration of taking a moment to notice the beauty in everyday things. When a young boy

finds himself thrown into a new city, his world suddenly feels very grey. But with the help of his Grandpa, he discovers that things aren't always what they first seem and that beauty can be hidden in even the most unexpected of places. An uplifting tale of life's simple pleasures from acclaimed illustrator, Fiona Lumbers.

*Grandpa's Gift* Abrams

A young boy's original game coaxes a grieving grandpa to reconnect with the world in a touching intergenerational story of love and resilience. Henry loves talking with Grandpa, but Grandpa has stopped listening. Mom says to just give him time. But Henry wants to talk to Grandpa now. So Henry tries his favorite game: Top Threes. And something amazing happens: Grandpa starts talking

again. Out of a tale of favorite sandwiches and zoo animals, outings and trains, emerges a moving story about love, loss, and the wonder of grannies and grandpas.

*Stone Age Boy* Pan Macmillan

Every day, in a house by the sea, a little boy watches his father leave for work. One night, a storm washes a small whale onto the beach. The boy discovers the whale is a good listener, and the father discovers the boy is lonely. Together, they return the whale to the sea, and the boy realizes his father can be a good listener, too. Full color.

*My Two Grannies* Hachette UK

Fun stories to teach your kids about money. "Perhaps the most cleverly written, and delightful to read, financial education book" J.J. Wenrich (Author and

Financial Advisor) When Grandpa Jack was a young man, he went on an adventure to a faraway island in search of gold. Whilst he was on the island he discovered 'The Three Rules of Wealth'. These rules helped him to become a very wealthy man. As Gail shares her Grandpa's adventures, your kids will learn: - The difference between being 'Rich' and being 'Wealthy' - How to earn money - The importance of saving their money - How to grow their money (investing) - That patience is the superpower of the wealthy - Why they should avoid gambling, scams and (bad) debt Your kids will also have to try and solve Grandpa's Mystery Code as they answer short questions to recap on what they have learnt throughout the book. "This book should be in every school

library” Kevin Gatland OBE "I would give this book 5 stars out of 5 ... It's great to read aloud!" Isla Manson, avid reader, age 11

*Grandpa's Top Threes* Candlewick Press (MA)

The beloved bestseller from Newbery Medalist and National Book Award winner Louis Sachar (*Holes*), with a brand-new cover! “Give me a dollar or I’ll spit on you.” That’s Bradley Chalkers for you. He’s the oldest kid in the fifth grade. He tells enormous lies. He picks fights with girls, and the teachers say he has serious behavior problems. No one likes him—except Carla, the new school counselor. She thinks Bradley is sensitive and generous, and she even enjoys his far-fetched stories. Carla knows that Bradley could change, if only

he weren’t afraid to try. But when you feel like the most hated kid in the whole school, believing in yourself can be the hardest thing in the world. . . .

Groovy Grandad Will Rainey

From Tom Fletcher and Dougie Poynter of *McFly* comes a supersonic space adventure filled with planets, poop, and pandemonium! One boy, one space rocket, one very hungry dinosaur: the ingredients for an explosive space adventure of epic poop-portions! But when Danny realizes he’s forgotten Dino’s lunch box, the very hungry dinosaur eats everything in sight, including their only way home: the rocket! How will Dino get them back home? Meet Danny and his pet Dinosaur, Dino. No matter what this ravenous reptile ingests, he never keeps it down

for long.

*My Father's Arms are a Boat* Quirk Books

A lyrical, gorgeously illustrated look at the majesty of trees—and what humans can learn from them Stand tall. Stretch your branches to the sun. Be a tree! We are all like trees: our spines, trunks; our skin, bark; our hearts giving us strength and support, like heartwood. We are fueled by air and sun. And, like humans, trees are social. They “talk” to spread information; they share food and resources. They shelter and take care of one another. They are stronger together. In this gorgeous and poetic celebration of one of nature’s greatest creations, acclaimed author Maria Gianferrari and illustrator Felicita Sala both compare us to the beauty and majesty of trees—and gently share the ways in which trees can

inspire us to be better people.

Let's Talk About When Someone Dies

Simon and Schuster

A Stonewall Honor Book "As warm and friendly as a kind grandparent." Kirkus Reviews, STARRED REVIEW "For the hope for new adventures, and the glimpse of intergenerational kindness and understanding, this lovely book should be on every shelf." School Library Journal, STARRED REVIEW Best Picture Books of 2021--School Library Journal Future Classic Picture Books of 2021--Bookstagan's Best of 2021 "An effective tool for teaching empathy, and the intergenerational bond at the story's center is a heartstrings puller. This picture book, in which a girl helps her grandfather embrace life again following the death of Gramps, may well aid young

readers in understanding others' grief." Shelf Awareness Discover a wonderful grandfather-granddaughter relationship, as a little girl hatches the perfect plan to get her Grandad adventuring again. Gramps and Grandad were adventurers. They would surf, climb mountains, and tour the country in their amazing camper. Gramps just made everything extra special. But after Gramps died, granddad hasn't felt like traveling anymore. So, their amazing granddaughter comes up with a clever plan to fix up the old camper and get Grandad excited to explore again. This beautiful picture book honors love and reminds us not only to remember those we have lost, but to celebrate them. [A Book About Grief](#) Grandad's Island Aston's Grandad Roy played in a steel

band and Grandad Harry played the trumpet in a brass band. Aston always enjoyed going to visit them and listen to them practise. But soon he wanted to join in. So he asked Grandad Roy to teach him to play the steel drums and then he asked Grandad Harry to teach him to play the trumpet. He loved practising both instruments. Then the school needs a band to play at the school fair, and both granddads want their own band to play. Finally Aston had an idea - both bands join together to make one big band, and Aston joins in first on steel drums and then on trumpet. This delightful story of a mixed-race family reconciling their very different cultures is a wonderful celebration of diverse cultures. Written by one of Britain's foremost campaigners and media



personalities and illustrated by a highly regarded illustrator, this book is sure to build on the success of *My Two Grannies*. *My Love Will Find You* Go! Media

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It is the night of the referendum and the Five have retired to Kirrin Island to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine, fed up with the rancour of public debate. George is firmly a 'remainer,' whilst Julian, who is in the 'Brexit' camp, is tolerated on the grounds that Anne cannot bear to go camping without him. (Timmy, largely apolitical but not keen on cats or rabbits, joins them too.) The night is tempestuous in more ways than one. George has managed to rig up a satellite link with the mainland so they can keep abreast of the news, and they sit huddled around the fire, amidst some

tension, as George's initial hope that the 'remainers' will triumph proves premature . . . Meanwhile, a violent storm whips up. The damage is apparent as the new day dawns and George declares a new meaning for Brexit: Kirrin Island is exiting Britain. . . . that is until the red tape becomes too much of a challenge and their happy life together is under threat.

*The Grotlyn* Simon and Schuster

After the phenomenal success of *The Storm Whale* and *On Sudden Hill*, this new book by Benji Davies deals with the emotional topic of losing a grandparent. Subtly told, this beautifully illustrated book tackles a difficult subject with great sensitivity and depth. At the bottom of Syd's garden, through the gate and past the tree, is Grandad's house. Syd can let

himself in any time he likes. But one day when Syd comes to call, Grandad isn't in any of the usual places. He's in the attic, where he ushers Syd through a door, and the two of them journey to a wild, beautiful island awash in color where Grandad decides he will remain. So Syd hugs Grandad one last time and sets sail for home. Visiting Grandad's house at the bottom of the garden again, he finds it just the same as it's always been — except that Grandad isn't there anymore. Sure to provide comfort to young children struggling to understand loss, Benji Davies's tale is a sensitive and beautiful reminder that our loved ones live on in our memories long after they're gone. Praise for Grandad's Island: 'Davies's elegantly rough illustrations, evoking a child's paintings,

tap into the imagination of death with little fuss, and his story declines to offer kids instruction on how to feel. Indeed, Grandad's Island doesn't mention death at all, but is deeply in touch with the ways in which loss and abundance commingle in the mind, correcting and assuaging each other.' The New York Times Book Review 'The creator of *The Storm Whale* (2014) offers another thoughtful picture book guaranteed to spark discussion...Recommend to young families dealing with loss, especially those who prefer to gloss over the scientific realities.' Booklist Online 'As with *The Storm Whale*, Davies offers a story of loneliness and togetherness distinguished by understated, deeply felt emotions and a nautical milieu.' Publishers Weekly 'This book is

innovative and useful as a way to talk about the idea of loss—without ever referring to actual death. Parents and educators can use this to talk with a child about how it's normal to be sad and miss loved ones...Cheerful, brightly colored illustrations make this a fine choice to use with the youngest of audiences. Since death isn't directly specified, this title also works for when a child's loved one is moving far away. An excellent vehicle to gently approach the topic of loss. Recommended for collections needing these types of materials.' School Library Journal 'Grandad's Island by British author-illustrator Benji Davies (The Storm Whale; Bizzy Bear series) celebrates a close grandfather-grandson relationship with warmth and style. Whether it's read

as a picture book about love, loss or just missing someone who isn't around anymore, it's a charmer. Cheerful cinematic spreads invite young readers into all sorts of intriguing places, from a cozy attic full of curiosities like a turtle teapot, to a vast ship's deck, to the deep jungle of an island paradise.' Shelf Awareness for Readers 'A resonant, layered tale that will only gain in texture as its readers get older.' USA Today **The Giant of Jum** Roaring Brook Press A follow-up to the best-selling The Storm Whale, winner of the 2014 inaugural Oscar's First Book Prize in association with the Evening Standard. It's winter time and Noi's island is covered in a blanket of snow. Even the sea is icing over. Noi is worried about the little whale he saved last summer: Can he survive

the harsh conditions? Little does Noi know that it's the little whale's turn to save him. A magical and touching story about a lasting friendship. A truly beautiful work packing a real emotional punch. 'At the heart of this emotionally charged story is the joy of a lasting friendship, tender and true' Fiona Noble for The Bookseller, Children's Book of the Month

*A Picture Book* little bee books

Everyone on the Isle of Struay is excited about the wedding of Granma Mainland and Neilly Beag, except Grannie Island, until Katie Morag thinks of a way to cheer her up.

**Grenade** Yearling

\* Indie Next List Selection \* Winner of the Oscar's Book Prize \* From Benji Davies, the award-winning creator of The

Storm Whale and illustrator of the Goodnight Already! series, comes a heartwarming and tender tale about courage and growth, featuring a special tadpole named Tad. Tad is small. In fact, she is the smallest almost-a-frog in the whole, wide pond. That makes it hard for her to do big things like follow her tadsiblings who swim to other parts of the pond when they outgrow the nest. As her tadbrothers and tadsisters swim up, up, up, they leave poor Tad by her lonesome. That's until...Big Blub shows up! He's not only bigger than Tad, but Big Blub isn't exactly what a tadpole would consider friendly. Swimming at her own pace, Tad soon learns how to be bigger than her fears. Benji Davies creates a memorable and timeless tale that proves sometimes the mightiest

creature comes in the smallest package. *Be a Tree!* Frances Lincoln Children's Books

"I'm scared I'll forget you..." From the perspective of a young child, Joanna Rowland artfully describes what it is like to remember and grieve a loved one who has died. The child in the story creates a memory box to keep mementos and written memories of the loved one, to help in the grieving process. Heartfelt and comforting, *The Memory Box* will help children and adults talk about this very difficult topic together. The unique point of view allows the reader to imagine the loss of any they have loved - a friend, family member, or even a pet. A parent guide in the back includes expert information from a Christian perspective on helping

children manage the complex and difficult emotions they feel when they lose someone they love, as well as suggestions on how to create their own memory box. *The Memory Box* received a 2017 Moonbeam Award in the Picture Books for All Ages category. Launched in 2007, the Moonbeam Awards are intended to bring increased recognition to exemplary children's books and their creators, and to celebrate children's books and life-long reading. *The Memory Box* received the Mom's Choice Award Gold Medal. The Mom's Choice Awards (MCA) evaluates products and services created for children, families and educators. The program is globally recognized for establishing the benchmark of excellence in family-friendly media, products and services.

The Memory Box was chosen as a finalist for the 2017 Midwest Book Award in the Children's Picture Books category. The awards recognize quality in independent publishing in the Midwest, including creativity in content and execution, overall book quality, and the book's unique contribution to its subject area.

**Grandma Bird** Enchanted Lion Books  
How do you say goodbye to your best friend? When a little hedgehog's family tells her they're moving far away, she and her anteater best friend decide to play one last time, like nothing is changing. And though it's hard, they discover that while some things have to change, the most important things find a way of working out.

*Cry Heart, But Never Break* Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

When a modern young boy is transported back in time to a Stone Age village, he learns all about a new way of life, in this entertaining combination of imagination and prehistoric facts.

*The Memory Box* Sparkhouse Family  
From Molly Potter, best-selling author of *How Are You Feeling Today?* and *What's Worrying You?*, comes a picture book for starting conversations with children about death, bereavement and what happens next. When someone dies, we can feel a whole host of different emotions and explaining them to a child isn't so easy. This book uses clear, easy-to-understand language to answer complex questions about death and how a child might feel when someone dies. It covers all manner of tricky subjects with sensitivity and honesty, from what death

is to why people die. Each double page spread takes a child through how they might feel, what they might think and how they might behave. With engaging illustrations, gentle guidance and simple advice for parents and carers, Let's Talk

About When Someone Dies fulfils an important but difficult need for starting conversations with children about death and bereavement, in an accessible and supportive way.

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