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THE PERFECT GIFT • Written by Paula Yoo, illustrated by Shirley Ng-Benitez leeandlow.com/books/the-perfect-gift

In this early chapter book from the popular Confetti Kids series, Mei's little brother is turning 100 days old, and Mei is determined to find the perfect gift for his special day.



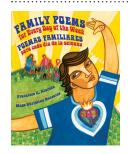
SUMMER SUN RISIN' • Written by W. Nikola-Lisa, illustrated by Don Tate leeandlow.com/books/summer-sun-risinbebop

This delightful story takes us from sunrise to sunset as an African American boy spends an activity-filled summer day helping his family on their farm. (Also available in Spanish.)



THE GARDEN • Written by Paula Yoo, illustrated by Shirley Ng-Benitez leeandlow.com/books/the-garden

In this early chapter book from the popular Confetti Kids series, Lily and her friends volunteer to help at the public garden, where they learn that plants need water, sun, and—just like them—time to grow.



FAMILY POEMS FOR EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK/POEMAS FAMILIARES PARA CADA DÍA DE LA SEMANA • Written by Francisco X. Alarcón, illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez • leeandlow.com/books/family-poems-for-every-day-of-the-week

A bilingual collection of poetry by the late Francisco X. Alarcón, acclaimed Chicano poet, celebrating the days of the week and everyday childhood experiences. (Bilingual English/Spanish.)



DRUMMER BOY OF JOHN JOHN • Written by Mark Greenwood, illustrated by Frané Lessac • leeandlow.com/books/drummer-boy-of-john-john

A perfect book for aspiring young drummers! A young boy in Trinidad discovers he can create music with discarded metal tins, and goes on to compete in the Carnival band competition.



RAINBOW STEW • Written and illustrated by Cathryn Falwell • leeandlow.com/books/rainbow-stew

Three children and their grandfather pick fresh vegetables in his garden and then cook and share a meal of healthy vegetable stew on a rainy summer day.



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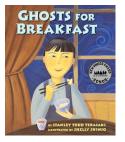
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RAFI AND ROSI • Written and illustrated by Lulu Delacre • leeandlow.com/books/rafiand-rosi

In this chapter book, two Puerto Rican tree frog siblings named Rafi and Rosi explore and learn about nature during their fun adventures on their island home. (Also available in Spanish.)



GHOSTS FOR BREAKFAST • Written by Stanley Todd Terasaki, illustrated by Shelly Shinjo • leeandlow.com/books/ghosts-forbreakfast

A Japanese American boy and his father investigate their neighbors' report of ghosts in a nearby farmer's field.



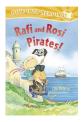
RAFI AND ROSI CARNIVAL! • Written and illustrated by Lulu Delacre • leeandlow.com/books/rafi-and-rosi-carnival

In this chapter book, Rafi and Rosi celebrate Puerto Rico's joyous holiday, Carnival. (Also available in Spanish.)



YOUNG CORNROWS CALLIN OUT THE MOON • Written by Ruth Forman, illustrated by Cbabi Bayoc • leeandlow.com/books/ young-cornrows-callin-out-the-moon

A poetic celebration of city summer memories, childhood delights, and African American culture and community.



RAFI AND ROSI PIRATES! • Written and illustrated by Lulu Delacre • leeandlow.com/books/rafi-and-rosi-pirates

In this chapter book, Rafi and Rosi explore Puerto Rico's famous El Morro Fort and learn about its Spanish history, treasure, and pirates. (Also available in Spanish.)



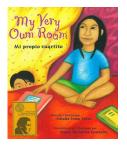
I KNOW THE RIVER LOVES ME/YO SÉ QUE EL RÍO ME AMA • Written and illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez • leeandlow.com/ books/i-know-the-river-loves-me-yo-se-queel-rio-me-ama

In this bilingual book, Maya shows her respect and love for nature and the river. (Bilingual English/Spanish.)



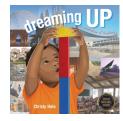
SUNDAY SHOPPING • Written by Sally Derby, illustrated by Shadra Strickland • leeandlow.com/books/sunday-shopping

Every Sunday night, a young girl and her grandmother go on an imaginary shopping trip using play money and the advertisements in the newspaper as a guide for their "purchases."



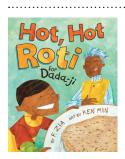
MY VERY OWN ROOM/MI PROPIO CUARTITO • Written by Amada Irma Pérez, illustrated by Maya Christina Gonzalez • leeandlow.com/books/my-very-own-roommi-propio-cuartito

In this bilingual book, a young girl yearns for her own space while learning about the strength of family and the importance of dreams. (Bilingual English/Spanish.)



DREAMING UP • Written and illustrated by Christy Hale • leeandlow.com/books/dreaming-up

A collection of illustrations, concrete poetry, and photographs that shows how young children's constructions, created as they play, are reflected in notable works of architecture from around the world.



HOT, HOT ROTI FOR DADA-JI • Written by F. Zia, illustrated by Ken Min • leeandlow. com/books/hot-hot-roti-for-dada-ji

A young Asian Indian American boy tackles a culinary challenge, renewing his beloved grandfather's spirit and taste buds by baking up his favorite boyhood bread.



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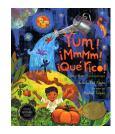
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THE STORY OF CAR ENGINEER SOICHIRO HONDA • Written by Mark Weston, illustrated by Katie Yamasaki • leeandlow. com/books/the-story-of-car-engineer-soichiro-honda

The "Story" chapter-book line introduces this fascinating biography of Soichiro Honda, the innovative Japanese motorcycle and car manufacturer and business pioneer.



YUM! ¡MMMM! ¡QUÉ RICO!: AMERICAS' SPROUTINGS • written by Pat Mora, illustrated by Rafael Lopez • leeandlow. com/books/yum-mmmm-que-rico-americassproutings

A collection of haiku focusing on fourteen foods native to the Americas, celebrating the fun of foods as well as their origins. (Also available in Spanish.)



THE STORY OF TENNIS CHAMPION
ARTHUR ASHE • Written by Crystal
Hubbard, illustrated by Kevin Belford •
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The "Story" chapter-book line features this action-packed tribute to Arthur Ashe, one of the most compelling athletes and humanitarians of the twentieth century.



PARROTS OVER PUERTO RICO • Written by Susan L. Roth and Cindy Trumbore, illustrated by Susan L. Roth • leeandlow. com/books/parrots-over-puerto-rico

This innovative picture book reveals the intertwined histories of the Puerto Rican parrot and the island of Puerto Rico, culminating with current efforts to save the parrots from extinction.



THE STORY OF WORLD WAR II HERO
IRENA SENDLER • Written by Marcia
Vaughn, illustrated by Ron Mazellan •
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The "Story" chapter-book line celebrates the life of Irena Sendler, a social worker who helped save nearly 2500 Jewish children from the Warsaw Ghetto during the Nazi occupation of Poland.



THE TURTLE SHIP • Written by Helena Ku Rhee, illustrated by Colleen Kong-Savage • leeandlow.com/books/the-turtle-ship

A young Korean boy named Sun-shin designs one of the greatest battleships in history to fulfill his dream of sailing the world.



THERE'S NO BASE LIKE HOME • Written by Jessica Mendoza and Alana Mendoza Dusan, illustrated by Ruth McNally Barshaw • leeandlow.com/books/there-s-no-base-like-home

ESPN baseball analyst and two-time Olympic medalist Jessica Mendoza teams up with her sister Alana Mendoza Dusan for this heartwarming, highly illustrated novel for young readers—a *Dork Diaries* for sporty kids.



EVERY MONTH IS A NEW YEAR • Written by Marilyn Singer, illustrated by Susan L. Roth • leeandlow.com/books/every-month-is-a-new-year

Happy New Year . . . in July! This versatile collection of engaging original poems showcases New Year celebrations throughout the year and around the world.



AMAZING PLACES • Written by Lee Bennett Hopkins, illustrated by Christy Hale and Chris Soentpiet • leeandlow.com/books/amazingplaces

A collection of original poems that celebrate some of the wonderfully diverse places in our nation. Readers of all ages will want to visit each amazing place again and again!



COOL MELONS TURN TO FROGS! • Written by Matthew Gollub, illustrated by Kazuko G. Stone • leeandlow.com/books/cool-melonsturn-to-frogs-the-life-and-poems-of-issa

This award-winning book is an introduction to haiku poetry and the life of Issa (b. 1763), Japan's premier haiku poet, told through narrative, art, and translations of Issa's most beloved poems for children.



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I AM ALFONSO JONES • Written by Tony Medina, illustrated by Stacey Robinson and John Jennings • leeandlow.com/books/i-amalfonso-jones

The Hate U Give meets The Lovely Bones in this unflinching graphic novel about the afterlife of a young man killed by an off-duty police officer, co-illustrated by *New York Times* bestselling artist John Jennings.



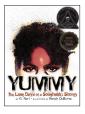
AHIMSA • Written by Supriya Kelkar • leeandlow.com/books/ahimsa

In this historical novel set in India, Gandhi asks for one member of each family to join the fight for independence from the British, and when Anjali's mother is jailed for doing so, Anjali must step out of her comfort zone to take over her mother's work.



SUMMER OF THE MARIPOSAS • Written by Guadalupe Garcia McCall • leeandlow.com/books/summer-of-the-mariposas

In this creative telling of The Odyssey, fifteen-year-old Odilia and her younger sisters embark on a journey to return a dead man to his family in Mexico, and must outwit monsters and witches to make it back home again. (Also available in Spanish.)



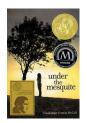
YUMMY: THE LAST DAYS OF A SOUTHSIDE SHORTY • Written by G. Neri, illustrated by Randy DuBurke • leeandlow.com/books/ yummy

A graphic novel based on the true story of Robert "Yummy" Sandifer, an eleven-yearold boy from Chicago's South Side who was killed by his own gang members.



REBEL SEOUL • Written by Axie Oh • leeandlow.com/books/rebel-seoul

When Jaewon is assigned to partner with supersoldier Tera in Neo Seoul's top weapons development division, he must decide where he stands: with the people his rebel father protected or with the totalitarian government that claims it will end all war.



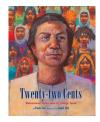
UNDER THE MESQUITE • Written by Guadalupe Garcia McCall • leeandlow.com/books/under-the-mesquite

Lupita, a budding actor and poet in a closeknit Mexican American immigrant family, comes of age as she struggles with adult responsibilities during her mother's long illness.



ETCHED IN CLAY: THE LIFE OF DAVE, ENSLAVED POTTER AND POET • Written and illustrated by Andrea Cheng • leeandlow.com/books/etched-in-clay

This older biography in verse reveals the life of Dave, an enslaved potter who inscribed his works with sayings and short poems, in spite of the slave anti-literacy sentiment in the years leading up to the Civil War.



TWENTY-TWO CENTS: MUHAMMAD YUNUS AND THE VILLAGE BANK • Written by Paula Yoo, illustrated by Jamel Aib • leeandlow.com/books/twenty-two-cents

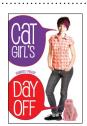
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2006 Nobel Peace Prize winner Muhammad Yunus revolutionized global antipoverty efforts when he developed the innovative economic concept of micro-lending.



DRIFT • Written by M.K. Hutchins • leeandlow.com/books/drift

To raise his family out of poverty, seventeenyear-old Tenjat joins a dangerous defense against the naga monsters that gnaw at his drifting island's formation.



CAT GIRL'S DAY OFF • Written by Kimberly Pauley • leeandlow.com/books/cat-girl-s-day-off

Natalie "Cat Girl" Ng, who has the ability to talk to cats, must save the day when she is the only one who can see the true story of a kidnapped celebrity and the imposter who took her place.





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