

## The Lady With The Alligator Purse

When the difficult star of the reality television show "Expedition Survival" disappears while filming an episode in the Florida Everglades using animals from the wildlife refuge run by Wahoo Crane's family, Wahoo and classmate Tuna Gordon set out to find him while avoiding Tuna's gun-happy father.

From the bestselling author of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and The BFG! The Enormous Crocodile is a horrid greedy grumpy brute who loves to guzzle up little boys and girls. But the other animals have had enough of his cunning tricks, so they scheme to get the better of this foul fiend, once and for all! This picture book edition has a beautiful full-color interior and large trim to feature Quentin Blake's iconic art.

Alligator Alley is the story of James Conrad, who is spending his 50th birthday alone in South Florida. He decides to take a drive along the famed Alligator Alley into the depths of the Everglades, ostensibly in search of memories of his great uncle, who left his family to live on a Seminole Indian reservation. In the course of that exploration, Conrad discovers his small town definition of success may be a ruse.

Pink in a world of green. From the very beginning, it's obvious that Rose is different. As a lone pink alligator in a family of green ones, she stands out when all she wants to do is blend in. With the support of Mama Alligator and her friends, Rose sets off on an adventure to discover how to use her special gift to create a place where everyone is included! "What a wonderful story for kids of all kinds. Pink Baby Alligator celebrates diversity, inclusion, uniqueness, the power of positive thinking, and so much more. A must-have for every child. EVERY child." - Sarabeth McNeese, MA, English and Education "Rose is now a beloved member of our family. Both my daughter and son with autism love the story - they truly relate to the message." - Cynthia Roloff, BSN, RN

Kristen's mommy brings the new baby home - but it's an ALLIGATOR BABY!  
How is Kristen going to get her real baby brother back?

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**NATIONAL BOOK AWARD FINALIST • NATIONAL BESTSELLER •** A twisting, haunting true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American history, from the author of *The Lost City of Z*. In the 1920s, the richest people per capita in the world were members of the Osage Nation in Oklahoma. After oil was discovered beneath their land, the Osage rode in chauffeured automobiles, built mansions, and sent their children to study in Europe. Then, one by one, the Osage began to be killed off. The family of an Osage woman, Mollie Burkhart, became a prime target. One of her relatives was shot. Another was poisoned. And it was just the beginning, as more and more Osage were dying under mysterious circumstances, and many of those who dared to investigate the killings were themselves murdered. As the death toll rose, the newly created FBI took up the case, and the young director, J. Edgar Hoover,

turned to a former Texas Ranger named Tom White to try to unravel the mystery. White put together an undercover team, including a Native American agent who infiltrated the region, and together with the Osage began to expose one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history.

This nonfiction reader compares and contrasts two ferocious reptiles. Readers will learn about each animal's anatomy, behavior, and more. Then compare and contrast the battling pair before finally discovering the winner.

Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children's imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn't stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. -- From publisher description.

New York Times Bestseller | Pulitzer Prize Finalist "Ms. Russell is one in a million. . . . A suspensefully, deeply haunted book."--The New York Times Thirteen-year-old Ava Bigtree has lived her entire life at Swamplandia!, her family's island home and gator-wrestling theme park in the Florida Everglades. But when illness fells Ava's mother, the park's indomitable headliner, the family is plunged into chaos; her father withdraws, her sister falls in love with a spooky character known as the Dredgeman, and her brilliant big brother, Kiwi, defects to a rival park called The World of Darkness. As Ava sets out on a mission through the magical swamps to save them all, we are drawn into a lush and bravely imagined debut that takes us to the shimmering edge of reality.

When the old gator swallowed a moth, it made him cough. But then he followed up with a crab, ray, pelican, shark, and more. The popular children's rhyme is given the Florida treatment in this book for young readers.

Tired of being washed by Mrs. Wishy-Washy, a cow, pig, and duck leave her farm and head for the city.

Al is an alligator that found his way to our Alabama pond one night. Where did Al come from? What did he experience along the way? Did he get to stay in the pond? Find out as you follow Al throughout his adventure.

This is a very astute "self-help" book for the modern day woman, although there is advice that can be utilized by everyone.

From award-winning journalist David Kushner, a regular contributor to Rolling Stone, The New Yorker, and Vanity Fair, Alligator Candy is "a raw story about courage, survival, and most certainly about love" (Tampa Bay Times). David Kushner grew up in the suburbs of Florida in the early 1970s, running wild with his friends, exploring, riding bikes, and disappearing into the nearby woods for hours at a time. One morning in 1973, however, everything changed when David's older brother Jon took a short bike trip to the local convenience store. He never returned. Alligator Candy is the story of Jon's murder at the hands of two sadistic drifters, and everything that happened after. Jon's death was one of the first in what turned out to be a rash of child abductions and murders that dominated headlines for much of the 1970s and 80s. It was around this the time that milk cartons began to feature the images of missing children, and newscasters began asking, "It's 10:00, do you know where you children are?" Alligator Candy chronicles Jon's story, but also tells how parenting in America has changed, casting light on

the transition between two generations of children—one raised on freedom, the other on fear. “Parents today can understand the love, hope, and fear Kushner so eloquently describes in this account of one family’s transcendent courage in the face of crushing pain” (Bookpage, “Top Ten Book of the Month”). Alligator Candy is a disturbing, insightful, and inspiring meditation on grief, growth, and what childhood has become: “not only a memorial to a brother tragically deprived of his right to live; but also a meditation on the courage necessary to live freely in a world riven by pain, suffering, and evil” (Kirkus Reviews).

When a monkey on a desert island sees a banana tree on a faraway island, she must devise a clever way to navigate the crocodile-infested waters using her counting skills. Children's BOMC. Reprint.

This book will help enhance the reading ability of young readers by using 'spot words' and repetition.

Kevin Wylie's crooked boss wants to run him out of town, and Kevin's long-time girlfriend is ready to take a hike. He decides to leave Miami and visit his father, who he hasn't seen in 28 years. Heading back to his hometown, Kevin doesn't realize that he and his dad will become embroiled in a murder case. The victim, one of the richest and most-hated corporate criminals in America has been dubbed The Alligator Man after pieces of his clothing were found in a local swamp. Billy Fuller had every reason to want the victim dead and all the evidence leads right to his doorstep. But legendary lawyer Tom Wylie believes in Billy and he and his son reunite to fight for Billy's life. The Alligator Man is a story of greed, anger, love, redemption and two powerful trial attorneys who fight to the end-- and risk everything--for the truth.

A lively picture book adaptation of the well-known children's hand-clapping rhyme, perfect for the whole family. Everyone knows some version of this popular children's hand-clapping rhyme, but in this adaptation, the elephant's fateful jump over the fence is just the beginning of the fun. Popular children's author Mary Ann Hoberman has elaborated on this well known tale to create an absurdly funny story children will want to sing, chant, read, and clap to again and again.

I know an old lady who swallowed a fly, I don't know why she swallowed a fly, Perhaps she'll die. So begins this well-loved, classic song. Now published for the first time in board book form with all new illustrations, this book is sure to delight a whole new audience: babies and toddlers.

Don't miss the first and bestselling book in the beloved Pete the Cat series! Pete the Cat goes walking down the street wearing his brand-new white shoes. Along the way, his shoes change from white to red to blue to brown to WET as he steps in piles of strawberries, blueberries, and other big messes! But no matter what color his shoes are, Pete keeps movin' and groovin' and singing his song...because it's all good. Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes asks the reader questions about the colors of different foods and objects—kids love to interact with the story. The fun never stops—download the free groovin' song. Don't miss Pete's other adventures, including Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes, Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons, Pete the Cat Saves Christmas, Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses, Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues, Pete the Cat and the New Guy, Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie, Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcakes, Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party, and Pete the Cat: Crayons Rock!

The first hilarious story in the New York Times bestselling Magnolia Says DON'T! series about a charismatic kid who's got a terrific knack for terrible ideas! Note to self: If your teacher tells you to bring something from nature for show-and-tell, she does not want you to bring an alligator! But nothing will stop Magnolia, who's determined to have the best show-and-tell of all--until her reptilian rascal starts getting her into some major trouble. Now it's up to Magnolia to find a way to send this troublemaker home--but what could possibly scare an alligator away?

In the early days of the Civil War, rumors of gold in the frozen Klondike brought hordes of newcomers to the Pacific Northwest. Anxious to compete, Russian prospectors commissioned inventor Leviticus Blue to create a great machine that could mine through Alaska's ice. Thus was Dr. Blue's Incredible Bone-Shaking Drill Engine born. But on its first test run the Boneshaker went terribly awry, destroying several blocks of downtown Seattle and unearthing a subterranean vein of blight gas that turned anyone who breathed it into the living dead. Now it is sixteen years later, and a wall has been built to enclose the devastated and toxic city. Just beyond it lives Blue's widow, Briar Wilkes. Life is hard with a ruined reputation and a teenaged boy to support, but she and Ezekiel are managing. Until Ezekiel undertakes a secret crusade to rewrite history. His quest will take him under the wall and into a city teeming with ravenous undead, air pirates, criminal overlords, and heavily armed refugees. And only Briar can bring him out alive. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

There is nothing lonelier than a cat who has been loved, at least for a while, and then abandoned on the side of the road. A calico cat, about to have kittens, hears the lonely howl of a chained-up hound deep in the backwaters of the bayou. She dares to find him in the forest, and the hound dares to befriend this cat, this feline, this creature he is supposed to hate. They are an unlikely pair, about to become an unlikely family. Ranger urges the cat to hide underneath the porch, to raise her kittens there because Gar-Face, the man living inside the house, will surely use them as alligator bait should he find them. But they are safe in the Underneath...as long as they stay in the Underneath. Kittens, however, are notoriously curious creatures. And one kitten's one moment of curiosity sets off a chain of events that is astonishing, remarkable, and enormous in its meaning. For everyone who loves *Souder*, *Shiloh*, and *The Yearling*, for everyone who loves the haunting beauty of writers such as Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, Flannery O'Connor, and Carson McCullers, Kathi Appelt spins a harrowing yet keenly sweet tale about the power of love—and its opposite, hate—the fragility of happiness and the importance of making good on your promises.

The nightmare's gone, but what about that alligator? You have to be so careful getting in and out of bed! Maybe a midnight snack to lure him into the garage will do the trick. In this funny and beloved follow-up, Mercer Mayer faces another nighttime fear head-on.

A humorous tale about acceptance, social justice and keeping an open mind. Though he's scared at first, a boy who encounters an alligator in the woods discovers all the creature wants is companionship — and leftovers! — and the two become friends. But the mayor of the boy's town won't have it. He makes a proclamation, "NO ALLIGATORS! Blah, blah, blah." Which the townspeople agree with, at first. Then they realize how friendly the alligator is (and how nice it is to have someone eat their leftovers!), and they want him to stay. Can they all come together and find a way to keep the alligator in their town? See you later, alligator? Not if these townspeople can help it!

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A tactile board book with acetate pockets containing board pieces.

Snapsy the alligator is having a normal day when a pesky narrator steps in to spice up the story. Is Snapsy reading a book ... or is he making CRAFTY plans? Is Snapsy on his way to the grocery store ... or is he PROWLING the forest for defenseless birds and fuzzy bunnies? Is Snapsy innocently shopping for a party ... or is he OBSESSED with snack foods that start with the letter P? What's the

truth? Snapsy the Alligator (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book) is an irreverent look at storytelling, friendship, and creative differences, perfect for fans of Mo Willems. An alligator with an interest in footwear spends the night locked in a shoe store trying on the merchandise.

Elizabeth and Larry are contented best friends until Larry is scorned by neighbors for being an alligator. Suggested level: preschool, junior.

A departing tortoise has his bags packed and is almost ready to set out on an adventure, but he can't leave until he says good-bye to each of his animal friends. The tortoise stops for every last timid mouse and bumblebee, shouting his rhyming good-byes, making you wonder if, perhaps, he's stalling the start of his trip. His animal friends appear startled as he suddenly pops up on each page to say adieu—especially the perplexed rhinoceros the tortoise mistakes for a unicorn! With each farewell, the tortoise's good-byes get sillier and more creative. When will the good-byes end and the adventure begin? See You Later, Alligator is a silly story with bright, engaging illustrations and expressive, rhyming text that children will want to read—and giggle through—again and again. Sky Pony Press, with our Good Books, Racehorse and Arcade imprints, is proud to publish a broad range of books for young readers—picture books for small children, chapter books, books for middle grade readers, and novels for young adults. Our list includes bestsellers for children who love to play Minecraft; stories told with LEGO bricks; books that teach lessons about tolerance, patience, and the environment, and much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

Lola has a favorite alligator costume that she wants to wear absolutely everywhere. Charlie tells her she can't wear it ALL the time, but Lola argues that she can. Much to Charlie's embarrassment, Lola wears her alligator costume to the supermarket and the park. She even plans to wear it for her school talk called "All about Me!" Can Charlie stop Lola from making a fool of herself in front of the whole school?

This favorite nursery rhyme illustrated with bright, irresistible pictures will delight babies and toddlers. The board book format is perfect for little hands to hold and young children will enjoy seeing all the imaginative adventures the spider has after sliding down the waterspout—including hugging a baby bug, meeting a frog in a pond, joining a bug parade, and buying shoes--before settling down to sleep with mama in a cozy spiderweb hammock. With its playful rhythm, rhyme, and repetition, this is a perfect read-aloud for little ones and ideal for tucking into a stroller.

An exuberant infant is lifted high in the air by Mommy, kissed on the tummy by Daddy, and snuggled by a puppy.

In the New York Times–bestselling spy series, Agent Oakes is in Cuba for secret negotiations with Che Guevara—on a mission that soon turns deadly. From his 1st

day in office, President Kennedy has been bedeviled by Cuba. The CIA forced the Bay of Pigs invasion down his throat, resulting in lost lives, international embarrassment, and a new low in America's relationship with the Caribbean. More than anything, Kennedy wants Cuba contained. Brute force didn't work; it's time to try a subtler approach—and there is no spy more tactful than Blackford Oakes. The CIA calls it Operation Alligator: a top secret back-channel negotiation to put Cuba and the United States on better footing. Oakes goes south to meet with Castro's right-hand man, the notorious Che Guevara, in hopes of finding common ground between their countries. Instead, he discovers a sinister Communist plot that could destabilize the hemisphere, and lead the US president to his doom. See You Later, Alligator is the 6th book in the Blackford Oakes Mysteries, but you may enjoy reading the series in any order.

A slice of Alligator Pie—sized for little ones! One of the best loved Canadian poems of all time, "Alligator Pie" established Dennis Lee's reputation as "Canada's Father Goose" when it appeared in his classic poetry collection of the same name in 1974. Now Lee's timeless rhyme is paired with striking artwork by Sandy Nichols, winner of a nationwide competition to find the perfect illustrator for the iconic poem. This fun-filled e-edition is a must-have for every baby and preschooler's library. "You can almost hear the skipping ropes slapping on the sidewalk." --Margaret Laurence

The old jump rope/nonsense rhyme features an ailing young Tiny Tim.

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