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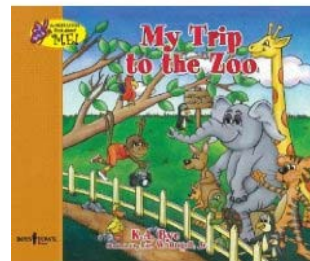
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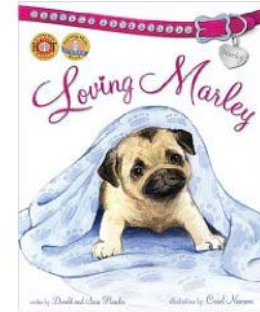


**AN INTERACTIVE BOOK ABOUT ME SERIES** by K.A. Bye, (Boys Town Press, *My Trip to the Zoo*, ISBN-13: 9781934490006; *I Like Birthdays*, ISBN-13: 9781934490020; *Visiting My Grandmother*, ISBN-13: 9781934490013; *I Like Holidays*, ISBN-13: 9781934490037; each \$13.95, hardcover activity books, August 2008). These award-winning, challenging and

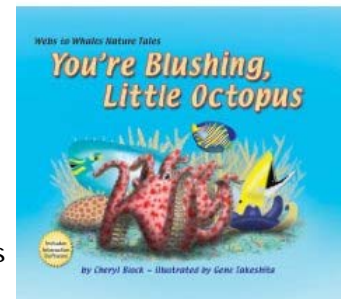


educational books help children complete individual stories about special events and celebrations with their own words, photos and drawings. Kids increase their vocabulary, practice reading, writing, measurement and comparison skills as well as express and describe emotions. A fun-filled activity for parents and children that preserves treasured family memories. For ages 4-8. For a review copy,  
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**LOVING MARLEY** by Donald and Sara Hassler, (PugTale Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780976639077, \$14.99, hardcover picture book, October 2007). This adorable, heart-warming, tail-wagging story helps parents and children understand how to prepare for the lifelong commitment needed to be a responsible pet owner. Groundbreaking and insightful, colorful engaging illustrations delight, teach and guide young readers as they are introduced to the day-by-day joys and trials that adopting a family pet brings. Honors include, a Mom's Choice Award, an iParenting Media Award and the Dove "Family-Approved" Seal. For a review copy,  
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**YOU'RE BLUSHING, LITTLE OCTOPUS** by Cheryl Block, (Block Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780976162544, \$21.95, hardcover picture book w/ CD-ROM). This beautifully illustrated book includes an interactive CD-ROM that teaches the science behind the story. Children read about a little octopus who learns to believe in herself and then watch as a real octopus changes shape and color before their eyes. The CD includes interactive lessons and games, an e-book of the story, and printable activities. For a review copy,  
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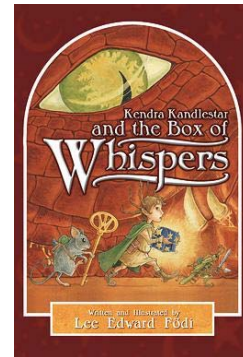
**JONATHAN'S JOURNEY TO MOUNT MIAPU** by Ellen Wolfson Valladares, (Argami Productions, ISBN-13: 9780979832406, \$12.95, paperback, juvenile fiction, November 2008). An



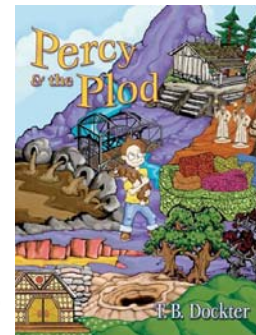
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award winning, fantasy/adventure novel for ages 8-12. Ten-year-old Jonathan Goodman has always felt different from other kids his age. When he gets lost on a mysterious mountain that is being threatened by a Great Shadow, Jonathan's magical adventures lead him to discover that he has special abilities and give him courage to face his greatest fears. This heartwarming tale will entertain and inspire children and parents alike. For a review copy, mailto: [ellenwv@aol.com](mailto:ellenwv@aol.com)

**KENDRA KANDLESTAR AND THE BOX OF WHISPERS** by Lee Edward Födi, (Brown Books Publishing Group, ISBN-13: 9781933285108, \$16.95, hardcover; ISBN-13: 9781933285115, \$8.95, paperback, juvenile fiction, October 2005). For over a thousand years, the Box of Whispers has guarded the most precious treasure in the Land of Een. But when the box is suddenly stolen, young Kendra finds herself on a dangerous quest where doors speak in riddles, plants cast spells, and strange creatures lurk in every shadow. And yet the most dangerous foe Kendra encounters just might be a secret-especially the one hidden inside herself. For a review copy, mailto: [wizbiz@leefodi.com](mailto:wizbiz@leefodi.com)



**PERCY & THE PLOD (Percy Veerance Adventure Series, Book 1)** by T.B. Dockter, (FWE Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780971220102, \$9.95, paperback, juvenile fiction/fantasy, September 2004). Middle-grade chapter books provide fun reading for the whole family. Can one citizen from Yoosa (sounds suspiciously like U.S.A.) save it from darkness? Someone must undertake the treacherous journey to pull the sun back in. But everyone is too busy. Or too afraid. Except Percy. Yoosians laugh at Percy. They tell him, "You're not smart enough." "You're not brave enough." "You'll never succeed." Percy replies, "I can plod." For a review copy, mailto: [fwepub@aol.com](mailto:fwepub@aol.com)



**PERCY & THE PROMISE (Percy Veerance Adventure Series, Book 2)** by T.B. Dockter, (FWE Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780971220188, \$9.95, paperback, juvenile fiction/fantasy, September 2005). Percy continues to



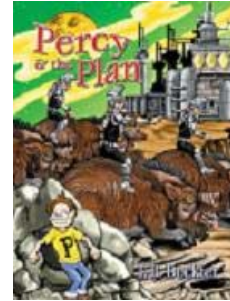
solve problems using MegaSkills (beliefs, behaviors, and attitudes that determine achievement in school and life). Can one family cause an Autumn Fire Tragedy? Can a villain named Luster Krupter destroy all of Yoosa? Using his wits and determination (no magic wands involved) Percy strives to extinguish Luster's evil powers and prove the Pilfer family's innocence. For a review copy, mailto: [fwepub@aol.com](mailto:fwepub@aol.com)

**PERCY & THE PLAN (Percy Veerance Adventure Series, Book 3) by T.B. Dockter,**

(FWE Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780971220157, \$9.95, paperback, juvenile fiction/fantasy, Sept. 2007).

The *Percy* books are written for both kids (entertaining misadventures) and adults (light-hearted spoof about life in America today). Percy confronts the most evil presence of the cosmos: Mally Diction, President of the AntiGoodness Society. Can Percy stop Mally from destroying the universe? Can Percy stop Luster from corrupting Yoosa? Percy learns that he can make mistakes and still achieve goals-as long as he keeps trying. For a review copy,

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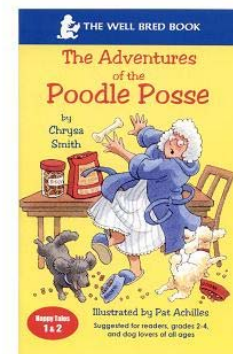


**THE ADVENTURES OF THE POODLE POSSE: Case of the Missing Steak Bone/Who Let the Dogs Out? by Chrysa Smith,**

(The Well Bred Book, ISBN-13: 9781424333356, \$7.95, paperback, juvenile fiction, December 2007). Follow the funny, silly and clever antics of Woody, Archie, Daisy and the ever-growing posse of four-legged characters that keep their loving owner, Mrs.

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**START TALKING: A Girl's Guide For You and Your Mom About Health, Sex, or Whatever by Mary Jo Rapini and Janine Sherman,** (Bayou Publishing, ISBN-13: 9781886298316, \$14.95, paperback, young adult self-improvement, September 2008). A guide for mother-daughter



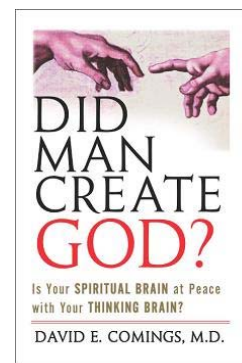
conversations about female health and sexuality, *Start Talking* targets both daughters and mothers. Comfortable, easy-to-read Q&A format. Super-straight answers from two nationally recognized women's health experts, addresses more than 113 questions girls ask including questions about periods, sex, relationships, guys, eating, exercise, body development, along with similar questions verbalized by mothers. For a review copy, mailto: [vloos@bayoupublishing.com](mailto:vloos@bayoupublishing.com)

**THE BEST I CAN BE: Living with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome or Effects by Liz Kulp**, (Better Endings New Beginnings, ISBN-13: 9780963707239, \$12.95, paperback, young adult non-fiction, March 2009). 2009 Mom's Choice Gold Young Author. The story of a girl who suffers from FAS, and her journey with her adoptive parents towards education and independence. Written with her words, handwriting and perspective of living with fetal alcohol brain injury alongside the experience of her parents. For a review copy, mailto: [jodee@connetworks.com](mailto:jodee@connetworks.com)



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**DID MAN CREATE GOD? Is Your Thinking Brain at Peace With Your Spiritual Brain? by David E. Comings, M.D.**, (Hope Press, ISBN-13: 9781878267733, \$29.95, hardcover; ISBN-13: 9781878267726, \$24.95, paperback, adult non-fiction, June 2008). The most detailed and up-to-date science yet generated on the subject of religion documenting that spirituality is genetically hardwired into a specific part of the brain, is pleasurable, and is critical to the evolution and survival of man. The book is not hostile to religion and strives to allow readers to develop a rational spirituality in which the fact-based rational brain and the spiritual brain can live in peace. For a review copy, mailto: [dcomings@earthlink.net](mailto:dcomings@earthlink.net)

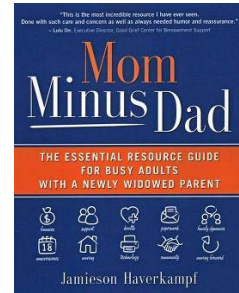


**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE: Searching for a Spiritual Path in a Material World by Chariss K. Walker**, (iUniverse, ISBN-13: 9780595481194, \$18.95, paperback; ISBN-13: 9780595489770, \$28.95, hardcover; self-help/spiritual, April 2008). *Make a*

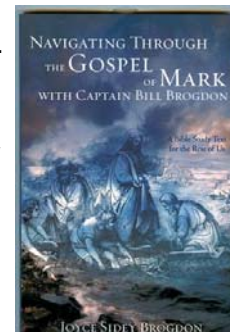


*Joyful Noise*, a book of hope and inspiration, is described by readers as "a tool chest for living." Chariss Walker uses liberal biblical scriptures to bridge the gap between all religions and modern day metaphysicians, what some would mistakenly call mysticism or new age thought to share that "The message is not new. It has always been with us, had we only known where to look." For a review copy, mailto: [CharissW@aol.com](mailto:CharissW@aol.com)

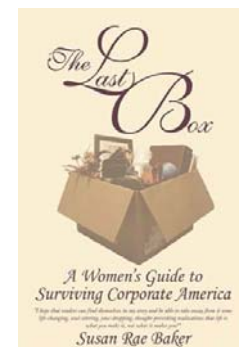
**MOM MINUS DAD: The Essential Resource Guide for Busy Adults With a Newly Widowed Parent** by **Jamieson Haverkamp**, (Blooming Women Press, ISBN-13: 9781934953198, \$14.95, paperback, self-improvement, May 2008). *Mom Minus Dad* is the only practical handbook available with advice on ten parent loss topics and 500+ resources including companies, U.S. government, books, and nonprofits for adult sons and daughters who lose a parent and need to assist their surviving parent. The author shares how she and her sister-both in their early thirties-found success and managed struggles during their journey after their father's unexpected death to cancer. For a review copy, mailto: [jamieson@theparentlossbook.com](mailto:jamieson@theparentlossbook.com)



**NAVIGATING THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF MARK WITH CAPTAIN BILL BROGDON** by **Joyce Sidey Brogdon**, (Xulon Press, ISBN-13: 9781606473368, \$13.99, paperback, religion/spirituality, June 2008). Jesus taught powerful themes by telling stories using everyday commodities as examples and make the unfamiliar come alive for his hearers. Jesus' message was meant for all people. The text is designed for all ages and can be read straight through as an interesting story or used as a guide to deeper study. For a review copy, please mailto: [wbrogdon@ec.rr.com](mailto:wbrogdon@ec.rr.com)



**THE LAST BOX: A Women's Guide to Surviving Corporate America** by **Susan Rae Baker**, (Future Endeavors Life And Business Coaching, ISBN-13: 9781434362568, paperback, self-improvement, April 2008). This book was inspired by all the employers in my lifetime that either added to my knowledge and skills sets or sent me home in tears. My goal was to create a



book that would be a guide for women in the workplace or about to enter it. By sharing my journey and telling you about the people you will meet, I hope to shorten your learning curve and the path to success. Through this book, I hope to help other women achieve their true potential and to found out just who they were meant to be. For a review copy, please

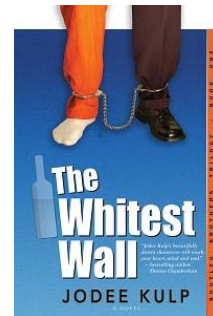
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**THE WHITEST WALL: Book One of the Bootleg Brothers Trilogy by Jodee Kulp,**

(Better Endings New Beginnings, ISBN-13: 9780963707260, \$14.95, paperback, adult/young adult fiction, October 2008). 2009 Mom's Choice Gold Adult/Young Adult Fiction. The story begins with the murder and the arrest of a transient that obviously has some mental health issues, so we are left uncertain if he committed the crime. The author does an incredible job of character development as she takes us into the minds and hearts of each person and the severely life altering affects of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder (FASD).

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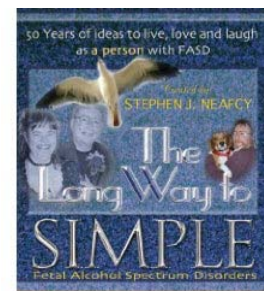
**THE LONG WAY TO SIMPLE: 50 Years of Ideas to Live, Love and Laugh as a Person with FASD by Stephen Neafcy,**

(Better Endings New Beginnings, ISBN-13: 9780963707284, \$12.95, paperback, non-fiction, March 2008). 2009 Mom's Choice Gold Adult Non-Fiction. This book does

what very few have done. The courageous author has stepped out of his brain damage long enough to share his lucid account of what it is to live life with a damaged brain and not even know it. His existence, like so many with this disorder, was an absolute nightmare before knowing what was wrong and why life was so difficult.

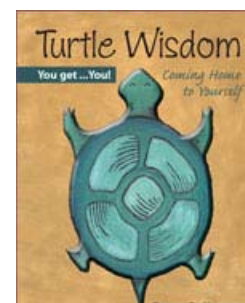
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**TURTLE WISDOM: Coming Home to Yourself by Donna DeNomme,**

(Inlightened Source Publishing, ISBN-13: 9781424324866, \$15.95, paperback, self-improvement, April 2007). Practical wisdom to awaken a masterful life! Empowering seekers of all ages, *Turtle Wisdom* summons a



sense of knowing and appreciating oneself. It is a gift that says, "I believe in you." Voted Colorado's "Spiritual Health Guru" (*5280 Magazine*), after having overcome great personal adversity, Donna DeNomme shares comfort, encouragement, and inspirational strategies for empowered, conscious living. 86 delightful illustrations. Now being published in several languages.

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**WAKING SPIRIT: Prose & Poems The Spirit Sings by Shirley Cheng**, (Dance with Your Heart! Publishing, ISBN-13: 9780615136806, \$14.97, paperback, inspirational, May 2007). "This book is an amazing read by an amazing person,"-- *ForeWord Magazine CLARION Reviews*.

Prepare to dance with your heart! This eight-time award winner, written by a blind and physically disabled prodigy (foreword by *New York Times* best seller Cynthia Brian), will empower you to waltz to its lyrics, haiku, inspirational quotes, and autobiographical tales. "An inspirational miscellany from one of the braver souls on the planet."-- *Kirkus Discoveries*.

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