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Yuko-chan and the Daruma Doll

The Adventures of a Blind Japanese Girl Who saves Her Village

Tuttle Publishing ****2012 Creative Child Magazine Book of the Year Award Winner!**** Yuko-chan and the Daruma Doll, a gorgeous multicultural children's book by author/illustrator Sunny Seki, takes readers on a journey into ancient Japan and the story behind the famous Daruma Doll. Yuko-chan, an adventurous blind orphan, is able to do amazing things. She confronts a burglar in the dead of night, and crosses treacherous mountain passes to deliver food to hungry

people. During her travels, Yuko-chan trips and tumbles down a snowy cliff. She discovers a strange thing as she waits for help: her tea gourd, regardless of how she drops it, always lands right-side-up. The tea has frozen in the bottom of the gourd! Inspired by this, she creates the famous Daruma doll toy, which rights itself when tipped—a true symbol of resilience. Thanks to Yuko-chan's invention, the villagers are able to earn a living and feed themselves by selling the dolls. Yuko-chan never gave up, no matter the obstacles she faced, and the Daruma doll is a charming reminder of the power of perseverance. With text in English and Japanese this book is of special interest to bicultural families.

Children's Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Monsters

An Introduction to Fascinating Myths and Legends from Around the World

Penguin Stories have been told on every continent since the dawn of time, and some have lasted for thousands of years, becoming what we know today as myths. These fantastical tales educate and fascinate by creating amazing worlds and inhabiting them with wondrous feats of heroics and dastardly deeds of evil. Children's Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Monsters gives children the opportunity to discover these stories, and encourages them to understand storytelling from different cultures.

Terrible Things

An Allegory of the Holocaust

In this allegory, the author's reaction to the Holocaust, the animals of the forest are carried away, one type after another, by the Terrible Things, not realizing that if perhaps they would all stick together and not look the other way, such terrible things might not happen.

William's Doll

Harper Collins **More than anything, William wants a doll. "Don't be a creep," says his brother. "Sissy, sissy," chants the boy next door. Then one day someone really understands William's wish, and makes it easy for others to understand, too.**

See What I Can Do!

eBook Partnership **Every child is different. Some are loud, they love talking and showing off. Others are quiet and like to be on their own. Some have differences that you can see, while others have differences that may not be so obvious. We are all unique. We all have our own lives, our own dreams, and our own talents. Let's see what we can do. In this gently-told but immensely informative new picture book Jon Roberts tells the stories of a number of children with a variety of differences inspired by the real-life experiences of his daughter, Kya who is on the autistic spectrum, and some of her friends. A variety of conditions, including autism, dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia, ADHD, Down's Syndrome, cystic fibrosis, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy, spina bifida, epilepsy and asthma are introduced for young readers, discussing how the challenges of each affect children both in a school setting and outside and how they engage in activities they love.**

Japanese Kokeshi Dolls

The Woodcraft and Culture of Japan's Iconic Wooden Dolls

Tuttle Publishing **An inside look at kokeshi dolls: from the skilled woodworkers behind their design to their important cultural significance. Kokeshi are the simple and charming traditional Japanese dolls characterized by their cylindrical shape and lack of arms and legs. Historically made as children's toys in Japan's northern region of Tohoku, they have**

now become a popular collector's item and have even inspired famous architects and artists. In this visual guide, readers will find: An overview of the different types of dolls How kokeshi dolls are crafted, including information on tools and woods used Interviews with leading kokeshi craftspeople worldwide Detailed information about both traditional dolls and the modern ones being crafted today An exploration of the cultural significance of kokeshi dolls—both historically and for the areas of northern Japan that rebuilt themselves after their region was decimated by an earthquake and tsunami in 2011 A guide to visiting Japan's kokeshi regions Information on how to buy the dolls—either directly from Japanese artisans or stockists worldwide Filled with artist interviews, gorgeous photos and firsthand travel experience, author Manami Okazaki has created a book to be enjoyed by all—from serious collectors to woodcrafters, interior designers, architects, armchair travelers and anyone with an interest in Japanese culture and travel.

The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins

An Illuminating History of Mr. Waterhouse Hawkins, Artist and Lecturer

Scholastic Inc. **Introduces the true story of Victorian artist Benjamin Waterhouse Hawkins, who built life-sized models of dinosaurs in the hope of educating the world about these awe-inspiring ancient animals and what they were like.**

Dumpling Soup

Little, Brown Books for Young Readers **Marisa gets to help make dumplings this year to celebrate the New Year. But she worries if anyone will eat her funny-looking dumplings. Set in the Hawaiian islands, this story celebrates the joyful mix of food, customs, and languages from many cultures.**

Japanese Children's Favorite Stories

Anniversary Edition

Tuttle Publishing This colorfully illustrated multicultural children's book presents Japanese fairy tales and other folk stories—providing insight into a vibrant literary culture. For 60 years, generations of English-speaking children around the world have been enchanted by Japanese Children's Favorite Stories—and for good reason. With such titles as "The Toothpick Warriors" and "The Rabbit Who Crossed the Sea," these 20 stories offer age-old lessons in kindness and goodness that are still riveting to children and parents alike. This 60th Anniversary Tuttle edition is proof that good stories never wear out. In this treasure trove of much-beloved Japanese children's stories, you'll meet charming characters drawn from folklore and passed down for generations. These tales about playful goblins with long noses, walking statues, and a delightful hero who just happens to be one-inch tall speak of the virtues of honesty, humility and hard work. What better way for a parent to teach than through stories that thrill their children! Author Florence Sakade, a pioneer of English-language publishing in Japan, has compiled so many enchanting stories, readers will have a difficult time deciding which is their favorite. The sparking illustrations by Yoshisuke Kurosaki are a visual treat that readers of all ages will enjoy! His original and stylized watercolors bring to life the fascinating tales of fairy cranes, eel catchers, and singing turtles, among many others. These Japanese stories shine on every page and are sure to captivate your family as they have many others. The Children's Favorite Stories series was created to share the folktales and legends most beloved by children in the East with young readers of all backgrounds in the West. Other multicultural children's books in this series include: Asian Children's Favorite Stories, Indian Children's Favorite Stories, Indonesian Children's Favorite Stories, Singapore Children's Favorite Stories, Filipino Favorite Children's Stories, Favorite Children's Stories from China & Tibet, Chinese Children's Favorite Stories, Korean Children's Favorite Stories, Balinese Children's Favorite Stories, and Vietnamese Children's Favorite Stories.

Folk Tales from Japan

Fables, Myths and Fairy Tales for Children

Tuttle Publishing "Filled with now-familiar favorites, along with lesser known yet equally delightful tales, this enduring collection presents stories to enchant and enlighten young readers." — School Library Journal From singing turtles and flying farmers to a weeping dragon and rice bags that replenish themselves, readers of all ages will find engaging characters and moments of magic in these beloved Japanese folk tales. The stories in this collection include: The Magic Mortar—A tale that explains why the sea is salty How to Fool a Cat—A funny story about a clever woodworker The Rolling Mochi Cakes—Good food, a beautiful song and a lesson on the benefits of sharing with others The Dragon's Tears—A sweet tale about first impressions, kindness and inclusivity Broken up into 16 folk tales, this book will become a go-to for bedtime and storytime. Kids (and adults!) will have the opportunity to learn more about Japanese culture in a fun, accessible way.

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking-Glass - Illustrated by Milo Winter

Read Books Ltd Alice's Adventures in Wonderland' is the best known work of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson (1832 - 1898) - better known by his pen name, 'Lewis Carroll'. Telling the tale of a girl named Alice who falls down a rabbit hole into a fantasy world populated by surreal and anthropomorphic creatures, the book was a huge commercial success on its initial publication in 1865. It was followed by its sequel, 'Through the Looking-Glass, and What Alice Found There', in 1871. The books play at the heart of logical problems and literary nonsense - giving the narrative lasting popularity with adults and children alike. The story is accompanied by a series of dazzling, full-colour, Milo Winter illustrations. Winter (1888 - 1956), is best-loved for his animal drawings, and was among the artists working in the later stages of the 'Golden Age'. His work can be identified from its masterful accuracy, humorous touches, personality, and attention to detail. Winter produced artwork for such well-known tales as Aesop's Fables, Arabian Nights, Alice in Wonderland,

and Gulliver's Tales. Presented alongside the text, his illustrations further refine and elucidate Lewis Carroll's captivating storytelling. This book, 'Alice in Wonderland - with Milo Winter illustrations' forms part of our 'Pook Press' imprint, celebrating the golden age of illustration in children's literature.

Rose Blanche

Random House **Suggested level: primary.**

Japanese Children's Favorite Stories Book Two

Tuttle Publishing **Follows from our classic and immensely popular Japanese Children's Favorite Stories**

Kokeshi, from Tohoku with Love

Kokeshi from Tohoku with Love is the second edition of the best selling book that looks at the craft and culture of kokeshi dolls. Included are more profiles, over 50 more photos and several new chapters. Kokeshi are the traditional dolls that are made of wood and are characterized by their lack of arms or legs. They are produced in the Tohoku region of Japan and were originally a children's toy, although it is more often used as a form of decoration nowadays and displayed in the home. Abroad, they are considered to be an icon of Japan, and reflect Japanese aesthetic sensibilities with their simple, elegant and minimalist designs. Kokeshi have the appeal of imperfection and hand made exclusivity as no two dolls are the same, each kokeshi embodies the qualities of wood, something that is often referred to as "warmth. In fact, for collectors, more than the freshly made kokeshi, many covet the atmosphere of the vintage kokeshi -- rather than degrading, as with plastic or artificial materials, the wood picks up a dewy, subdued colour and the delicately painted features fade gracefully with time. This book is the only English language book that looks at this culture in depth, and is the only book with English language interviews with the masters of the craft. The author, Manami Okazaki, visits all 6 prefectures of Tohoku to profile 23 artisans in the remote hot spring villages where they are made. Included are the work and interviews with the masters to the up and coming artists, and highlights many aesthetic theories and sensibilities that are prevalent in contemporary design, even today. The book also looks at Japanese hot spring culture, and Tohoku culture to paint a holistic picture of kokeshi culture. This book will delight fans

of wooden crafts, Japanese culture and travellers to Japan. The book gives an insight into the psychology of the craftsman, the process of production, the motifs and the various types, which will inform the collector. This book will also suit travelers to Japan who wish to explore the Northern region of Japan, and their charming hot spring villages. Included are hundreds of photographs."

Japanese Society

Univ of California Press "A brilliant wedding of 'national character' studies and analyses of small societies through the structural approach of British anthropology. One is of course reminded of Ruth Benedict's *Chrysanthemum and the Sword* which deals also with Japanese national culture. Studies by Margaret Mead and Geoffrey Gorer deal with other national cultures; however, all of these studies take off from national psychology. Professor Nakane comes to explanation of the behavior of Japanese through analysis rather of historical social structure of Japanese society, beginning with the way any two Japanese perceive each other, and following through to the nature of the Japanese corporation and the whole society. Nakane's remarkable achievement, which has already given new insight about themselves to the Japanese, promises to open up a new field of large-society comparative social anthropology which is long overdue." —Sol Tax "This is an important book!"--Robert E. Cole, *Journal of Asian Studies* "If you have time for just one book on Japan, try this one."--David Plath, *Asian Student* "Should be taken to heart by everyone who has dealings with Japan. . . .Even those--or, perhaps, most of all those--who know Japan intimately will be grateful to Professor Nakane for her brilliant study."--*Times Literary Supplement*

Under the Cherry Blossom Tree

An Old Japanese Tale

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt **There were eggs in every bird's nest, the air buzzed with honeybees, and cherry trees blossomed all at once. The poor villagers forgot their cares and gathered in the meadow to sing and dance their time away. But their miserly landlord refused to be happy. Mumbling and grumbling, he sat all alone eating a bowl of cherries and glaring at the merry villagers. Then, quite by accident, he swallowed a cherry pit. The pit began to sprout,**

and soon the landlord was the wonder of the village—a cherry tree was growing out of the top of his head! What happened to the cherry tree and to the wicked landlord is a favorite joke in Japan. Allen Say tells the story with wit and vitality, and his beautiful drawings complement this classic Japanese tale.

Chinese Mythology

The Four Dragons

The Rosen Publishing Group, Inc **The origins of the four great rivers of China are revealed in this classic myth. Against the landscapes of China, follow four dragons as they struggle against the Jade Emperor to bring water to the people of China.**

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My First Book of Japanese Words

An ABC Rhyming Book

Tuttle Publishing **My First Book of Japanese Words is a beautifully illustrated book that introduces young children to Japanese language and culture through everyday words. The words profiled in this book are all commonly used in the Japanese language and are both informative and fun for English-speaking children to learn. The goals of My First Book of Japanese Words are multiple: to familiarize children with the sounds and structure of Japanese speech, to introduce core elements of Japanese culture, to illustrate the ways in which languages differ in their treatment of everyday sounds and to show how, through cultural importation, a single word can be shared between languages. Both teachers and parents will welcome the book's cultural and linguistic notes and appreciate how the book is organized in a familiar ABC structure. Each word is presented in Kanji (when applicable), Kana, and Romanized form (Romaji). With the help of this book, we hope more children (and adults) will soon be a part of the 125 million people worldwide that**

speaking Japanese!

The Giant Smugglers

Macmillan Charlie Lawson's only summer excitement in small-town Wisconsin came from kicking butt in video games, where he's the undisputed Total Turbo champ. Now it's time to go back to middle school, where nine long months of boredom await. But then Charlie stumbles onto something big happening inside the abandoned warehouse across the street from his house. Specifically, someone big. He befriends Bruce, a twenty-foot-tall teenage giant, who Charlie must keep a secret. Charlie isn't the only one in town who knows what's hiding in the warehouse. Powerful, ruthless forces are closing in, and they'll stop at nothing to acquire a giant. But Charlie will do whatever it takes to protect the biggest and best friend he's ever had.

Circus Day in Japan

Bilingual English and Japanese Text

Tuttle Publishing This multicultural children's book contains both English and Japanese script along with beautiful, colorful illustrations. Circus Day in Japan is the warmly-illustrated story of an exciting day spent by two Japanese children, Joji-chan and Koko-chan, at a circus. Joji-chan and Koko-chan delight at the new sights of their first circus, and young readers are gently introduced to Japanese customs and sites. Perfect for those interested in retro books, the simple text and artwork provide a nostalgic window into Japanese family life in the early 1950s. Originally written by Eleanor Coerr, author of the popular Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes, this English translation of a classic Japanese children's book accessible to a new generation of both English and Japanese speaking readers.

One Minute's Silence

Allen & Unwin Winner of the CBCA Crichton Award for New Illustrators in the CBCA Awards, 2015 Honour Book for Picture Books in the CBCA Awards, 2015 In one minute of silence you can imagine sprinting up the beach in Gallipoli in 1915 with the fierce fighting Diggers, but can you imagine standing beside the brave battling Turks as they defended their

homeland from the cliffs above... In the silence that follows a war long gone, you can see what the soldiers saw, you can feel what the soldiers felt. And if you try, you might be able to imagine the enemy, and see that he is not so different from you... In *One Minute's Silence*, you are the story, and the story is yours - to imagine, remember and honour the brothers in arms on both sides of the conflict, heroes who shed their blood and lost their lives. A moving and powerful reflection on the meaning of Remembrance Day.

The Last Kappa of Old Japan Bilingual Edition

A Magical Journey of Two Friends (English-Japanese)

Tuttle Publishing With unique and playful illustrations this multicultural children's book is a classic Japanese fairy tale that young children and parents alike will love. *The Last Kappa of Old Japan* is a warmly written and beautifully illustrated bilingual Japanese children's book that introduces many aspects of traditional Japanese culture and folklore, while teaching an important lesson about environmentalism. The story is of a young Japanese farm boy who develops a friendship with a mythical creature—the kappa—a messenger of the god of water. The tale begins in post-Modern Japan when the boy is young and the kappa is healthy and ends when the kappa, now the last one left on Earth, keeps an important promise to his human friend. A story of love, friendship, and adventure, readers of all ages will enjoy this picture book by award-winning author/illustrator, Sunny Seki. This bilingual edition includes Japanese text alongside the English, making it a great way for kids to learn Japanese.

Hachiko

The True Story of a Loyal Dog

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Imagine walking to the same place every day, to meet your best friend. Imagine watching hundreds of people pass by every morning and every afternoon. Imagine waiting, and waiting, and waiting. For ten years. This is what Hachiko did. Hachiko was a real dog who lived in Tokyo, a dog who faithfully waited for his owner at the Shibuya train station long after his owner could not come to meet him. He became famous for his loyalty and was

adored by scores of people who passed through the station every day. This is Hachiko's story through the eyes of Kentaro, a young boy whose life is changed forever by his friendship with this very special dog. Simply told, and illustrated with Yan Nascimbene's lush watercolors, the legend of Hachiko will touch your heart and inspire you as it has inspired thousands all over the world.

Knots on a Counting Rope

Macmillan A grandfather and his blind grandson, Boy-Strength-of-Blue-Horses, reminisce about the young boy's birth, his first horse, and an exciting horse race.

Tuttle Concise Japanese Dictionary

Japanese-English English-Japaneses

Tuttle Publishing Every serious student of Japanese needs a reliable and user-friendly dictionary in their collection. Tuttle Concise Japanese Dictionary, now with 30% more content, is a completely updated dictionary designed for students and business people who are living in Japan and using the Japanese language on a daily basis. Its greatest advantage is that it contains recent idiomatic expressions which have become popular in the past several years and which are not found in other competing dictionaries. The dictionary has been fully updated with the addition of recent vocabulary relating to computers, mobile phones, social media and the Internet. Other special features that set this dictionary apart include: Over 25,000 words and expressions including idioms and slang. User-friendly layout with main entries in color. Complete Japanese-English and English-Japanese sections. Romanized forms and the Japanese script are given for all Japanese words. A guide to pronunciation helps the user to pronounce Japanese words correctly. Different senses of each word are distinguished by multiple definitions.

My lantern and the fairy

a story of light and kindness : told in English and Chinese

A sweet story that shows how one small act of kindness can help those around you. Little Mo and her family always compete in their village's annual lantern competition, but this year she has no new ideas and doesn't know where to begin. Little Mo finds herself wishing for help in front of a lamp post, when a thunderstorm suddenly rolls in. Worried that the rain will put the lamp's flame out, Little Mo uses her own umbrella to cover the lamp. Little did she know, an unexpected recipient of her selfless act would guide Little Mo to victory in the lantern competition in return. Not only does this book emphasize the importance of kindness, but presents the story in both English and Chinese. Children and parents will love learning about Chinese New Year's Lantern Festival and Mid-Autumn Festival.

Japanese and English Nursery Rhymes

Carp Streamers, Falling Rain and Other Favorite Songs and Rhymes (Downloadable Audio of Rhymes in Japanese Included)

Tuttle Publishing ****Creative Child Magazine Media of the Year Award Winner**** "Fifteen rhymes, one per spread, celebrate the changing seasons, flora and fauna, and idyllic rural life, providing an enchanting window into a culture that cherishes its close relationship with nature...This collection holds appeal for anyone interested in the country and would be a wonderful addition to an international-themed story time." —School Library Journal This delightful

collection of beloved Japanese nursery rhymes, Japanese and English Nursery Rhymes is the perfect introduction to Japanese language and culture for young readers ages 4 to 8. This beautifully illustrated bilingual children's book features songs and rhymes in both English and Japanese. Companion downloadable or streamable audio contains recordings of all the rhymes by native Japanese speakers. It's impossible not to sing along! The popular Japanese songs and rhymes include: My Hometown Bubbles The Rabbit Dance The Cradle Lullaby And many more! "Did You Know" notes about Japanese culture are included throughout the book, with an introduction to Japanese for parents, teachers, and librarians at the back.

The Last Kappa of Old Japan Bilingual English & Japanese Edition

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Alpha Omega Yoga

The Art and Science of Self Transformation

Xlibris Corporation **Yoga in the West** has gone from being esoteric and on the fringe to now being mainstream as a physical work out. The physical practice of yoga is merely a means to the end. What is yoga really all about? What do all the centuries of practice and insight reveal? For those who want to go deeper into the experience of Birth Death and Enlightenment here is a book written in simple poetic form giving an overview of the big picture of infinity, manifestation and our place in it with an introduction to the pose of Savasana, corpse pose, as the beginning point for inner work and transformation.

Turtle Bay

Lincoln Children's Books **Old Jiro-San** sits on the beach listening to the wind, sweeping the sand with a broom, and waiting, always waiting. Some people think he is a little strange, but Taro is fascinated by the old wise man and his wonderful secrets. And when Jiro-San reveals that some special friends -- Japanese sea turtles that are ready to lay their eggs -- are on their way to the beach, Taro and his sister Yuko help Jiro-San prepare for them. Based on a true story, this charming picture book features an endnote about sea turtles and an endorsement by the leader of Marine Turtle Research Program at the United States National Marine Fisheries Service.

I'm Learning Japanese!

A Language Adventure for Young People

Tuttle Publishing **This is a fun and entertaining beginner level children's Japanese language book (9 years old and up) that is also appropriate for adults.** I'm learning Japanese takes a light-hearted approach to the Japanese language by using fun anime-style manga characters to teach Japanese. However, it does not scrimp on content and covers everything from Japanese kanji, kana and grammar to Japanese culture and customs. The book starts out with the main characters, Emily, Nico and Teo sitting on the grass after school, minding their own business, when—unbelievable!—a giant talking fox dressed in a kimono appears. Explaining that he knows magic, speaks 3,000 languages and is

respected as a sensei (master), he wonders if the three kids are ready to learn Japanese from him. During the next 128 amusing pages, the three friends learn to speak Japanese, read Japanese and write Japanese...along with taking breaks to try Japanese hot-spring baths, sumo wrestling, Zen meditation and more. Focusing on exactly what the 9 to 13-year-old learner wants to know, this book is carefully set up to allow them to learn Japanese independently, at their own speed, without an adult's help. Every page of I'm Learning Japanese! is in full color and the illustrated comic book-approach, with its speech bubbles and funny side remarks, makes the learning seem to fly. It gives preteens a fun grounding in the language and one that's accurate and practical. Nothing they learn here is "watered down" or will ever need to be unlearned, should they continue on with their Japanese language studies in school or later in life.

Yoko's Paper Cranes

Hyperion When Yoko moves from Japan to California, she decides to make and send origami swans to her grandmother for her birthday.

The Idea Shapers

The Power of Putting Your Thinking Into Your Own Hands

Long to feel less overwhelmed? Wish for clarity in your decision making? Looking for lucidity in your thinking? Seeking confidence in your communication? The simple solution is at your fingertips. Paper and pen. In this guide, Brandy Agerbeck reveals drawing as your best thinking tool, making visual thinking attainable and enjoyable through a set of twenty-four Idea Shapers. Each concept combines fine art and facilitation to turn abstract ideas into concrete drawing that help you do great things.

My First Book of Tagalog Words

Filipino Rhymes and Verses

Tuttle Publishing **My First Book of Tagalog Words** is a beautifully illustrated book that introduces young children to **Filipino language and culture through everyday words**. The words profiled in this book are all commonly used in the Filipino language and are both informative and fun for English-speaking children to learn. The goals of **My First Book of Tagalog Words** are multiple: to familiarize children with the sounds and structure of the Tagalog language; to introduce core elements of Filipino culture; to illustrate the ways in which languages differ in their treatment of everyday sounds; and to show how, through cultural importation, a single word can be shared between languages. Both teachers and parents will welcome the book's cultural references and appreciate how the book is organized in a familiar ABC structure. With the help of this book, we hope more children (and adults) will soon be a part of the 22 million people worldwide that speak Tagalog!

A Carp for Kimiko

Charlesbridge **A CARP FOR KIMIKO** is the story of a young girl's struggle against the strong current of tradition. Every year on Children's Day in Japan a kite in the shape of a carp is flown for each boy in the family. Kimiko is a little girl who desperately wants an orange, black, and white calico carp kite of her own to fly on this holiday. Kimiko's parents remind her that there is a holiday just for girls? Doll's Festival Day, but this does not stop Kimiko from dreaming about and wishing for her very own carp. The magical ending achieves the impossible? Kimiko gets what she longs for without breaking tradition. Katherine Roundtree's beautiful illustrations evoke the wonder and excitement of childhood, which will charm readers of all cultures.

Nichijou, 10

Vertical Inc **que será surreality** a game of musical chairs takes a sharp turn. nano pulls out all the stops in a battle against a fry thief. a bizarre body-swap situation occurs in the shinonome household. yuuko displays a talent for naming things. we get a glimpse of mio's dream job, as everyone writes a letter to their future selves...

Japanese Myths, Legends & Folktales

Bilingual English and Japanese Edition (12 Folktales)

Tuttle Publishing Here, beautifully illustrated and presented in both English and Japanese, are 12 of the best Japanese folktales—shared with generation after generation of Japanese children. These charming tales engage your imagination as you're carried on turtle-back rides, brought to the underwater palace of the dragon princess, and discover a temple with a "tea kettle" that is really a cunning badger in disguise. Stories include: The Tongue-Cut Sparrow The Strong Boy The Marriage of a Mouse The Fisherman and the Tortoise The Luminous Princess The Peach Boy The Kachi Kachi Mountain The Old Men With Wens The Old Man Who Made Trees Blossom The One-Inch Boy The Lucky Cauldron The Monkey and Crab Fight These stories are all richly illustrated, with 98 color illustrations by two of Japan's foremost children's books illustrators. Executed with great skill and imagination, they bring to life the charming characters of these heartwarming tales of old Japan. The tales were originally written in English by author Yuri Yasuda based on her interpretations of traditional Japanese stories. Here they are fully bilingual—each one accompanied by Japanese text. The Japanese versions of each tale include simple kanji with furigana pronunciations to help learners recognize the characters. Japanese Myths, Legends & Folktales is accessible to both English and Japanese-speaking children, as well as to older language learners who wish to enhance their reading ability. This multicultural children's book will entertain, inspire, and educate in equal measure.

The Miraculous

Farrar, Straus and Giroux (BYR) In the tradition of heartwrenching and hopeful middle grade novels such as *Bridge to Terabithia* comes Jess Redman's stunning debut about a young boy who must regain his faith in miracles after a tragedy changes his world. Eleven-year-old Wunder Ellis is a miracologist. In a journal he calls *The Miraculous*, he records stories of the inexplicable and the extraordinary. And he believes every single one. But then his newborn sister dies, at only eight days old. If that can happen, then miracles can't exist. So Wunder gets rid of *The Miraculous*. He stops believing. Then he meets Faye—a cape-wearing, outspoken girl with losses of her own. Together, they find an

abandoned house by the cemetery and a mysterious old woman who just might be a witch. The old woman asks them for their help. She asks them to believe. And they go on a journey that leads to friendship, to adventure, to healing—and to miracles. The Miraculous is Jess Redman's sparkling debut novel about facing grief, trusting the unknown, and finding brightness in the darkest moments.

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