



**2021 USBY
Outstanding International Books**

GRADES PreK-2

- Ahmed, Sufiya. **Under the Great Plum Tree**. Illus. by Reza Dalvand. Tiny Owl. (UK)
- Atinuke. **Catch that Chicken!** Illus. by Angela Brooksbank. Candlewick.(UK/Set in West Africa)
- Berry, James. **A Story About Afiya**. Illus. by Anna Cunha. Lantana. (UK)
- Cotter, Sacha. **Cannonball**. Illus. by Josh Morgan. Sourcebooks/Sourcebooks Jabberwocky. (New Zealand)
- David, Gauthier. **Letters from Bear**. Trans. from French by Sarah Ardizzzone. Illus by Marie Caudry. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers. (Belgium)
- Frankel, Yael. **The Elevator**. Trans. from Spanish by Kit Maude. Tapioca Stories. (Argentina)
- Hrab, Naseem. **Weekend Dad**. Illus. by Frank Viva. Groundwood. (Canada)
- Júnior, Otávio. **From My Window**. Trans. from Portuguese by Beatriz C. Dias. Illus. by Vanina Starkoff. Barefoot Books. (Brazil)
- Maclear, Kyo. **Story Boat**. Illus. by Rashin Kheiriyeh. Tundra. (Canada)
- Stinson, Kathy. **The Lady with the Books: A Story Inspired by the Remarkable Work of Jella Lepman**. Illus. by Marie Lafrance. Kids Can Press. (Canada)
- Van de Vendel, Edward. **Little Fox**. Trans. from Dutch by David Colmer. Illus. by Marije Tolman. Levine Querido/Em Querido. (Netherlands)
- Weightman, Magnus. **All Along the River**. Trans. from Dutch by author. Illus. by author. Clavis Publishing. (Belgium)
- Wernicke, María. **Some Days**. Trans. from Spanish by Lawrence Schimel. Illus. by author. Amazon Crossing Kids. (Argentina)
- Yoshitake, Shinsuke. **There Must Be More Than That!** Ed. by Naomi Kirsten from translation. Illus. by author. Chronicle Books. (Japan)

GRADES 3-5

- Almond, David. **War is Over**. Illus. by David Litchfield. Candlewick. (UK)
- Ferrada, María José. **Mexique: A Refugee Story from the Spanish Civil War**. Trans. from Spanish by Elisa Amado. Illus. by Ana Penyas. Eerdmans Books For Young Readers. (Mexico)
- Järvinen, Aino. **1,001 Creatures**. Trans. from Finnish by Emily Jeremiah. Illus. by Laura Merz. Restless Books. (Finland)
- Krone, Bridget. **Small Mercies**. Illus. by Karen Vermeulen. Catalyst Press. (South Africa)
- Lam, Thao. **The Paper Boat: A Refugee Story**. Illus. by author. Owlkids Books. (Canada/Vietnam)
- McKay, Hilary. **The Time of Green Magic**. Simon & Schuster/McElderry Books. (UK)
- McLachlan, Jenny. **The Land of Roar**. Illus. by Ben Mantle. HarperCollins/Harper. (UK)

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- Mian, Zanib. **Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet**. Illus. by Nasaya Mafaridik. Penguin/G.P. Putnam's Sons. (UK)
- Nilsson, Ulf. **All the Dear Little Animals**. Trans. from Swedish by Julia Marshall. Illus. by Eva Eriksson. Gecko Press. (Sweden)
- Romanyshyn, Romana & Lesiv, Andriy. **Sound: Shhh...Bang...POP... BOOM!** Trans. from Ukrainian by Vitaly Chernetsky. Illus. by authors. Chronicle/Handprint. (Ukraine)
- Roskifte, Kristin. **Everybody Counts: A Counting Story from 0 to 7.5 Billion**. Trans. from Norwegian by Siân Mackie. Illus. by author. The Quarto Group/Wide Eyed Editions. (Norway)
- Utkin, Alexander. **Gamayun Tales I**. Trans. from Russian by Lada Morozova. Illus. by author. Nobrow. (UK/Russia)
- Yabouza, Adrienne. **The Magic Doll: A Children's Book Inspired by African Art**. Trans. from French by Paul Kelly. Illus. by Élodie Nouhen. Prestel. (France/set in Central African Republic)

GRADES 6-8

- Aung Thin, Michelle. **Crossing the Farak River**. Annick Press. (Australia/set in Myanmar)
- Billet, Julia. **Catherine's War**. Trans. from French by Ivanka Hahnenberger. Illus. by Claire Fauvel. HarperCollins/HarperAlley. (France)
- Fagan, Cary. **Maurice and His Dictionary: A True Story**. Illus. by Enzo Lord Mariano. Owlkids Books. (Canada)
- Kadariusman, Michelle. **Music for Tigers**. Pajama Press. (Canada/set in Australia)
- Pêgo, Ana & Martins, Isabel Minhós. **Plasticus Maritimus: An Invasive Species**. Trans. from Portuguese by Jane Springer. Illus. by Bernardo P. Carvalho. Greystone Books/Greystone Kids in partnership with the David Suzuki Institute. (Portugal)
- Robertson, David A. **The Barren Grounds**. Illus. by Natasha Donovan. Penguin Random House Canada Young Readers/Puffin. (Canada)
- Van den Ende, Peter. **The Wanderer**. Illus. by author. Levine Querido/Em Querido. (Netherlands)
- Watanabe, Issa. **Migrants**. Illus. by author. Gecko Press. (Mexico)

GRADES 9-12

- Bhathena, Tanaz. **Hunted by the Sky**. Macmillan/Farrar Straus Giroux. (Canada)
- Cuthew, Lucy. **Blood Moon**. Candlewick/Walker. (UK)
- Hardinge, Frances. **Deeplight**. Abrams/Amulet. (UK)
- Kaito. **Blue Flag, Vol. 1**. Trans. from Japanese by Adrienne Beck. Illus. by author. VIZ Media. (Japan)
- Thakur, Sophia. **Somebody Give This Heart a Pen**. Candlewick/Walker. (UK)
- Zhiying, Yu. **The Ode to the Goddess of the Luo River**. Adapted and trans. from Chinese by author. Illus. by Ye Luying. minedition. (China)