

Picture stories by young writers

(less than 10 years)



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Young writers illustrating their own stories, how exciting is this idea! No one can tell our stories better than us and so we are thrilled to bring you '**Picture Stories by Young Writers**', a collection of stories both written and illustrated by talented under-10s. This book was compiled as part of the much-loved '**Be an illustrator - Junior**' workshop organized by Bookosmia.

Along with learning about writing a story, the young participants also learnt about illustration styles, picture book elements, frames and so much more!

We wish these young artists the best and hope to see more of their work reach a global audience.

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Smell of books



Red Riding Hood Fights the Witch

"Wake up! Wake up!" said George the lion.

"What's the matter?" asked Hood.

"Last night I saw something," said Max the rabbit. "I saw a strange line of footprints in the jungle!"

Whose could these be? So they decided to follow the footprints.



After walking for a while, they reached a wooden castle.

They opened the door and went in. They saw a small candle burning, a cage with pigs in it and some vessels with colourful potions.

Just then Witch Laida came in. "Who are you? No one ever dared to come here except these pigs!" The three were scared. Laida continued, "Leave that potion little girl! I can turn humans into pigs and pigs into humans with it."

The three understood that the pigs in the cage were actually humans!



George pounced on the witch, Hood sprinkled the potion on the pigs and Max opened the cage.

Then Hood sprinkled some potion on Laida and Ruel and turned them into pigs and caged them.

The three ran out of the castle and locked the door. Then Hood rubbed 2 stones and placed them near the wooden castle.

Soon the castle was on fire and the witch ran away never to be seen again.



About Writer & Illustrator, Gabriel

Gabriel Fernandes, 8, Ahmedabad



Gabriel is an energetic, enthusiastic and creative child. He loves to write poems with rhyming words and loves to read story books and also gets ideas for creating his own stories with a twist. He loves to play with Lego blocks, piano on his keyboard and enjoys drawing. Gabriel is a student of Rebecca Sudan's Titli and goes to Nirma Vidyavihar, Bodakdev.

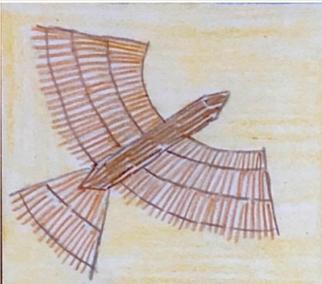
Santa hires me as a help

Last year, I wrote a letter to Santa, I expressed my desire to work for him. I was overwhelmed when this year, I heard back from him that he wanted to hire me.



I am very creative in making animal figures so Santa gave me the role to make different animal toy figures.

When I entered the factory, I was amazed by the huge architecture with little elves working diligently on their designated spots.



On my first day of job, I made a beautiful bird by toothpicks. Santa was impressed and so were many elves. They were distant so far but after seeing my creative work,

became co-operative and few became my good friends too. After every hour, we got a break and one of my elf friends suggested that we go out of the factory to feed some cookies to Santa's reindeers. The moment we stepped out of the factory, I nearly froze as the weather was nippy. To my surprise, the reindeers loved eating cookies. We quickly fed the reindeers and rushed inside the factory.



I drank two glasses of hot cider. I made a lot of toy animals and Santa was extremely happy seeing my creative work.



Before leaving, I requested Santa to hire me again next year. I would come up with more creative and amazing toys as this was my most memorable experience.



About Writer & Illustrator, Nirav

Nirav Prakash, 8 from Kolkata



Nirav is a happy and observant child who uses his daily events around him and creates wonderful stories out of them. He loves to read books as well as newspaper. He likes adventure travel and takes lot of photos. He loves to play football and cricket with his friends. He is a student of Word Munchers and goes to La Martiniere for Boys.

Always Be Kind And Respectful

One day, siblings Ananya and Karthik were playing in the park with their friends, Samrudh and Aadya. All four children had formed a group called Team Friends. They were shocked to see a woman and her daughter being chased by a fierce dog.



Ananya shouted out to a boy, Vihaan, close to them, "Hey, could you please help them?" The boy replied rudely, "Why should I help them?"

Ananya and her crew chased the fierce dog away, offered water and helped the woman, Janani and her daughter feel relaxed. Janani mentioned that Vihaan lived in the flat next to hers. Ananya and Kartik came home and recounted everything to their parents. They appreciated the children, "You should always help

people who are in need.”

A few days later, Team Friends had a new student join their class. Oh, what a surprise, it was Vihaan!

While going out, he slipped on a banana peel and got hurt. Vihaan cried out to Ananya loudly.

Team Friends called the teacher who took Vihaan to the hospital and Team Friends joined in. They kept assuring him that he will be alright and he should not lose courage.

After he felt better, Vihaan thanked Team Friends, “Your encouraging words made me feel better. You were very kind to call the teacher and accompany me to the hospital. I am really ashamed that when you called me to help Janani Aunty, I just ran away. Today I have learnt my lesson. Now onwards, I will always be kind, helpful and respectful to others.”

About Writer & Illustrator, Ananya

Ananya Arun, 8 from Bangalore



Ananya is a trained bharatnatyam dancer. During her free time, she takes fun classes for young kids, loves playing with her barbie dolls and enjoys cooking pasta and dosa for her family. She goes to Clarence Public School.

Colours of the rainbow

One day a wizard gave me a pair of wings,
And I started flying,
Then, I went to the clouds,
And I was thinking it is some milk,
Then I saw lot of colors.
Surprisingly it was surprise for me,
it was a RAINBOW!

Do you want to learn what were the colors?

Violet
Indigo
Blue and
Green
Yellow
Orange
Red.



Then I met Eagle, Sparrow, Pigeon
and Parrot,
And we flew together...
Then a storm came, a thunder storm,
And the birds were very scared,
And that's when I flew back to
home.

About Writer & Illustrator, Amaya

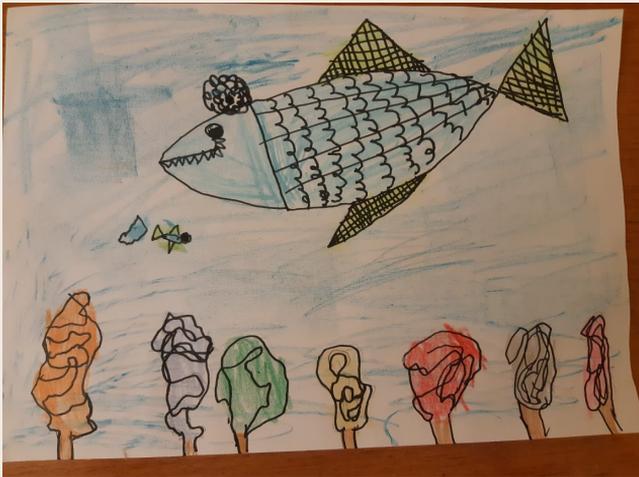
Amaya Rupramka, 6 years, Kolkata



Amaya is a multi talented little girl who loves to talk, draw and read books. Apart from this, she enjoys singing, dancing and skating. A little heart made of pure gold, she cares about everyone around her. She is a power house of energy and creativity. She goes to The Heritage School, Kolkata.

The Shark's Missing Tooth

Once upon a time, there was a shark. The shark was swimming underwater in the deep sea. Suddenly, his tooth started to ache and he knew that this tooth was about to fall. Soon, his tooth fell underwater and he started to search for it.



He searched for it inside the colourful corals, he looked for it under the stones. He even asked his whale friends if they saw his tooth. He also searched for it in the mermaid's house. At last, when was searching for it in one of the oysters, he finally saw his tooth! He picked up his tooth quickly before the oyster closed.

He carefully swam to the shore with his tooth and left it on the beach.

Every month people visiting the beach would look for Shark teeth. And one of them found this shark's tooth.

He dug up a hole and while he was about to bury the tooth, suddenly the shark's tooth started to shake on its own! This man got scared and he threw the tooth back to the ocean.

And the tooth while it was sinking into the ocean, broke and out came a baby shark!

The baby shark grew into a big shark and again his tooth fell and hatched into another baby shark! This one too grew and broke his tooth.

One by one, more and more sharks came. And created their own big "tooth shark" family!

About Writer & Illustrator, Nayara

Nayara Tharakan , 6, Kochi



Nayara loves creating things, letting her imagination take over to create unique stories, building "homes", watching wildlife videos and playing outdoors. She is part of Little Reader's Nook, Mysore and studies in Global Public School, Kochi.



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