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2017

The Artist and Me
Shane Peacock, Sophie Casson
Owlkids Books

The Good Little Book
Kyo Maclear, Marion Arbona
Tundra Books

Harry and Walter
Kathy Stinson, Qin Leng
Annick Press

If I Had a Gryphon
Vikki VanSickle, Cale Atkinson
Tundra Books

Invisibill
Maureen Fergus, Dušan Petričić
Tundra Books

★ The Night Gardener ★
Eric Fan and Terry Fan
Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers

Snap!
Hazel Hutchins, Dušan Petričić
Annick Press

Sometimes I Feel Like a Fox
Danielle Daniel
Groundwood Books

Stanley at School
Linda Bailey, Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press Ltd.

The Wolf-Birds
Willow Dawson
Owlkids Books

2016

Butterfly Park
Elly MacKay
Running Press/Publisher’s Group Canada

The Cardinal and the Crow
Michael Moniz
Simply Read Books

Fishermen Through and Through
Colleen Sydor, Brooke Kerrigan
Red Deer Press

Henry Holton Takes the Ice
Sandra Bradley, Sara Palacios
Penguin Young Readers; Dial

★ If Kids Ruled the World ★
Linda Bailey, David Huyck
Kids Can Press

In a Cloud of Dust
Alma Fullerton, Brian Deines
Pajama Press

Sam’s Pet Temper
Sangeeta Bhadra, Marion Arbona
Kids Can Press

Stop, Thief!
Heather Tekavec, Pierre Pratt
Kids Can Press

Super Red Riding Hood
Claudia Dávila
Kids Can Press

We’re All Friends Here
Nancy Wilcox Richards, Tom Goldsmith
Scholastic Canada Ltd.
## 2015

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The Highest Number In The World
Roy Macgregor, Geneviève Després
Tundra Books

Kenta and The Big Wave
Ruth Ohi
Annick Press

Loula Is Leaving for Africa
Anne Villeneuve
Kids Can Press

The Man with the Violin
Kathy Stinson, Dušan Petričić
Annick Press

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I Dare You Not To Yawn
Helene Boudreau, Serge Bloch
Candlewick Press

If You Hold A Seed
Elly MacKay
Running Press

In The Tree House
Andrew Larsen, Dusan Petricic
Kids Can Press

Mr. Zinger’s Hat
Cary Fagan, Dusan Petricic
Tundra Books

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This Is Not My Hat
Jon Klassen
Candlewick Press

Young Frank, Architect
Frank Viva
Abrams

Willow Finds A Way
Lana Button, Tania Howells
Kids Can Press
2013

The Busy Beaver
Nicholas Oldland
Kids Can Press Ltd.

Don't Laugh at Giraffe
Rebecca Bender
Pajama Press Inc.

Ella May and the Wishing Stone
Cary Fagan, Geneviève Côté
Tundra Books

Here Comes Hortense!
Heather Hartt-Sussman, Georgia Graham
Tundra Books

JoJo the Giant
Jane Barclay, Esperança Melo
Tundra Books

Kate and Pippin ★
Martin Springett, Isobel Springett
Puffin Canada/Penguin Group

Larf
Ashley Spires
Kids Can Press Ltd.

Really and Truly
Émilie Rivard, Anne-Claire Delisle
OwlKids Books Inc.

Splinters
Kevin Sylvester
Tundra Books

You Are Stardust
Elin Kelsey, Soyeon Kim
OwlKids Books Inc.

2012

A Flock of Shoes
Sarah Tsiang, Qin Leng
Annick Press

Giraffe and Bird ★
Rebecca Bender
Dancing Cat Books/Cormorant Books

Kiss Me! (I’m a Prince!)
Heather McLeod, Brooke Kerrigan
Fitzhenry & Whiteside

The Little Hummingbird
Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas
D&M Publishers/Greystone Books

Making the Moose Out of Life
Nicholas Oldland
Kids Can Press

Noni Says No
Heather Hartt-Sussman, Geneviève Côté
Tundra Books

One Hockey Night
David Ward, Brian Deines
Scholastic Canada/North Winds Press

Roslyn Rutabaga and the Biggest Hole on Earth!
Marie-Louise Gay
Groundwood Books/House of Anansi Press

Small Saul
Ashley Spires
Kids Can Press

Stanley’s Little Sister
Linda Bailey, Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press
2010

★ Boo Hoo Bird ★
Jeremy Tankard
Scholastic Canada

Bradley McGogg, The Very Fine Frog
Tim Beiser and Rachel Berman
Tundra Books

Crocodiles Play!
Robert Heidbreder and Rae Maté
Tradewind Books

Farley Follows His Nose
Lynn C Johnston and Beth Cruikshank
The Bowen Press / HarperCollinsCanada

The King Has Goat Ears
Katarina Jovanovic and Phillipe Béha
Tradewind Books

2011

Big Bear Hug
Nicholas Oldland
Kids Can Press

C'mere Boy!
Sharon Jennings and Ashley Spires
Kids Can Press

Have I Got a Book for You!
Mélanie Watt
Kids Can Press

The Imaginary Garden
Andrew Larsen and Irene Luxbacher
Kids Can Press

Jack the Bear
Christina Leist
Simply Read Books

★ My Think-A-Ma-Jink ★
Dave Whamond
Owlkids

Perfect Snow
Barbara Reid
Scholastic Canada, Ltd.

Proud as a Peacock, Brave as a Lion
Jane Barclay and Renné Benoit
Tundra Books

Violet
Tania Duprey Stehlik and Vanja Jovanovic
Second Story Press

Willow’s Whispers
Lana Button and Tania Howells
Kids Can Press

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my Think-A-ma-Jink ★
Dave Whamond
Owlkids

The King’s Taster
Kenneth Oppel
Paintings by Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher
HarperCollinsCanada

Stanley's Beauty Contest
Linda Bailey and Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press

There's a Cow Under My Bed!
Valerie Sherrard and David Jardine
Creative Book Publishing

When Stella Was Very, Very Small
Marie-Louise Gay
Groundwood Books

You're Mean, Lily Jean
Frieda Wishinsky and Kady MacDonald Denton
Scholastic Canada
2009

Buttercup’s Lovely Day
Carolyn Beck
Orca Book Publishers

★ Chester ★
Mélanie Watt
Kids Can Press

Mélanie Watt
Kids Can Press

Clancy with the Puck
Chris Mizzoni
Raincoast Books

Mattland
Hazel Hutchins and Gail Herbert
Annick Press

My New Shirt
Cary Fagan
Tundra Books

Eliot Jones, Midnight Superhero
Anne Cottringer
Scholastic Canada Ltd

Stanley at Sea
Linda Bailey
Kids Can Press

It’s Moving Day
Pamela Hickman
Kids Can Press

Such a Prince
Dan Bar-el
Clarion

2008

The Farm Team
Linda Bailey, Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press

Lily and the Paper Man
Rebecca Upjohn, Renné Benoit
Second Story Press

Fox Walked Alone
Barbara Reid
Northwinds Press/Scholastic Canada Ltd.

The List
Hazel Hutchins, Maria van Lieshout
Annick Press

Grumpy Bird
by Jeremy Tankard
Scholastic Press

Please, Louise!
by Frieda Wishinsky and Marie-Louise Gay
Goundwood Books

In My Backyard
Margriet Ruurs, Ron Broda
Tundra Books

A Sack Full of Feathers
by Debby Waldman, Cindy Revell
Orca Book Publishers

★ Scaredy Squirrel Makes A Friend ★
Mélanie Watt
Kids Can Press

Jeffrey and Sloth
Kari-Lynn Winters, Ben Hodson
Orca Book Publishers
2007

**Camilla Chameleon**
Colleen Sydor, Pascale Constantin
Kids Can Press

**Clara and the Bossy**
Ruth Ohi
Annick Press

**Earth to Audrey**
Susan Hughes, Stéphane Poulin
Kids Can Press

**Penelope and the Monsters**
Sheri Radford, Christine Tripp
Lobster Press

★ **Scaredy Squirrel** ★
Mélanie Watt
Kids Can Press

**Sophie and the Sea Monster**
Don Gillmor, Michael Martchenko
Scholastic Canada

**Stanley’s Wild Ride**
Linda Bailey, Bill Slavin
Kids Can Press

**Taming Horrible Harry**
Lili Chartrand, Rogé
Tundra Books

**Wake up, Henry Rooster!**
Margriet Ruurs, Sean Cassidy
Fitzhenry and Whiteside

**Where’s My Hockey Sweater?**
Gilles Tibo, Bruno St-Aubin
Scholastic Canada

2006

**Ben Over Night**
Sarah Ellis, Kim LaFave
Fitzhenry & Whiteside

**Beneath The Bridge**
Hazel Hutchins, Ruth Ohi
Annick Press

**Bigbeard’s Hook**
Evan Solomon, Bill Slavin
Viking Canada, 2005

★ **The Boy Who Loved Bananas** ★
George Elliott, Andrej Krystoforski
Kids Can Press

**Gummytoes**
Sean Cassidy, Sean Cassidy
Fitzhenry & Whiteside

**Leon’s Song**
Stephanie McLellan, Dianna Bonder
Fitzhenry & Whiteside

**Mile High Apple Pie**
Laura Langston, Lindsey Gardiner
Bodley Head(Random House

**Penelope And The Humongous Burp**
Sheri Radford, Christine Tripp
Lobster Press

**Rainy Days With Bear**
Maureen Hull, Leanne Franson
Lobster Press

**Stella Princess Of The Sky**
Marie Louise Gay
Groundwood
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