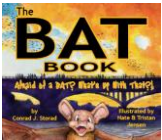




**A TO Z POETRY FOR KIDS**  
ISBN: 9780983383260 Retail: \$14.95  
Publisher: Fun Places  
Author: Kellan Peterson  
Pub Date: 4/10, Format: HC

Within these pages is a treasury of poems, all designed to expand your knowledge of poetry. Each entry includes a letter of the alphabet and a different profession for each letter. You'll then find a picture and a unique poem for each profession along with a description of how to write that type of poem. By the time you're done reading this book, whether you're four years old or four hundred, you'll be exposed to an awesome world of poetry; one you maybe didn't know existed!



**THE BAT BOOK**  
ISBN: 9781891795664 Retail: \$7.95  
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Conrad J. Storad  
Pub Date: 3/15, Format: SC

**Bats are NOT scary!** Little Boy Bat lives under the Congress Avenue Bridge in Austin, Texas. One day he overhears some human kids saying mean, nasty things about bats. "Bats are ugly. Bats are weird. Bats are SCARY!" Their words make him feel very sad. L.B has a long talk with his parents. They give him some useful advice. L.B. takes action. He decides to write and illustrate a book so that he can teach those human kids some facts and the truth about bats. *The Bat Book* is his creation. It includes important lessons for all of us.



**BIGHORNS DON'T HONK**  
Softcover: 9781891795602 Retail: \$7.95  
Hard cover: 9781891795596 Retail: \$15.95

Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Stephen Lester, Pub Date: 1/11

Bighorn sheep can leap from ledge to ledge and only need two inches to land. They run fast, swim, and have some of the best eyes in the animal kingdom. Their fights sound like thunder. They live in the mountains and in some of the hottest places in America. All the fun facts about an American West fixture with fun to read rollicking verse and hilarious illustrations are in this book. Ages 4-8. Bighorn region: British Columbia past California to Mexico and eastward to North Dakota.



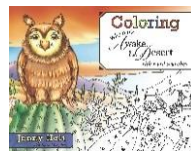
**COLORING METAL SCULPTURES:  
The Magical Works of Ricardo Breceda**  
ISBN: 9781941384343 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Diana Lindsay  
Pub Date: 10/17, Format: SC

There is something magical about Ricardo Breceda's metal sculptures. Perhaps because they evolved from his daughter's request that her father build a dinosaur. Not many fathers would acquiesce, but his little girl was his princess. Breceda built the dinosaur and went on to build many more dinosaurs, horses, and elephants. His menagerie caught the attention of millionaire Dennis Avery who commissioned Breceda to build 131 different metal sculptures scattered on his property in Borrego Valley. Today, Ricardo's sculptures can be found scattered about southern California and now inside this coloring book!



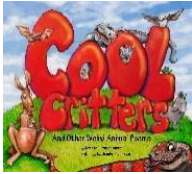
**COLORING PLANTS USED BY  
DESERT INDIANS**  
ISBN: 9781941384374 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Diana Lindsay  
Pub Date: 3/18, Format: SC

Native plants provided food, medicine, tools, construction material, articles for clothing or regalia, and materials used for decorative items or for ceremonial purposes. Specialists within each band knew exactly when to harvest plants for their use and how to prepare them. Desert Indians of California and the Southwest had a great variety of plants at their disposal. Learn about these important plants that sustained our desert Indians as you enjoy adding color to the various blooms and fruits as displayed in this book.



**COLORING WHO-O-O's AWAKE IN  
THE DESERT: With Word Searches**  
ISBN: 9781941384350 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Jenny Holt, Kara Murphy  
Pub Date: 11/17, Format: SC

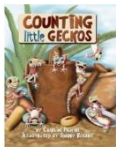
Learn about the desert creatures of the Sonoran Desert through short descriptions, coloring pages, and word searches. Based on the book *Who-o-o's Awake in the Desert* by Jenny Holt.



**COOL CRITTERS**  
**and Other Funny Animal Poems**  
Softcover: 9781891795626  
Retail: \$6.95  
Hardcover: 9781891795619  
Retail: \$15.95

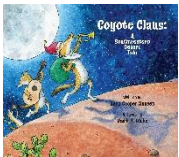
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Lorraine Geiger, Pub Date: 3/12

*Cool Critters and Other Funny Animal Poems* is a wonderful book. If you take a look inside this book you'll find all sorts of critters, like peccaries, tarantulas, and bats that give you jitters.



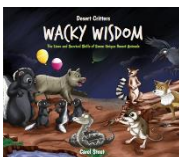
**COUNTING LITTLE GECKOS**  
ISBN: 9781891795145 Retail: \$8.95  
Publisher: RGU Group  
Author: Charline Profiri  
Pub Date: 6/05, Format: Boardbook

Geckos everywhere! Number 1 is the cool gecko with the blue shades. Number 6 does push-ups and number 4 sleeps through it all. Ten lively geckos are having fun in this entertaining board book - can you count them all? Ages: 3-8



**COYOTE CLAU**  
ISBN: 9781941384534 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Cory Cooper Hansen  
Pub Date: 6/19, Format: SC

*Coyote Claus: A Southwestern Desert Tale*, is an original manuscript which brings the cultural heritage of the Sonoran Desert to life through the familiar genre of Clement C. Moore's *A Visit from St. Nicholas*. Non-fiction information about the desert and its inhabitants is included at the bottom of each page.



**DESERT CRITTERS WACKY WISDOM**  
ISBN: 9781941384442 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Carol Stout  
Pub Date: 12/18, Format: SC

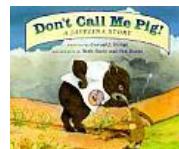
Basic life-saving survival skills—can't live without them. Parents teach their offspring, and sometimes the lessons and techniques may seem strange, especially in the animal world. Whatever it takes to stay alive and thrive! Find out how seven different desert animals do it, even though it might seem wacky. It is tried and true wisdom that works! Animal characters include a Coyote, Rattlesnake, Crow, Mrs. Crow, Mother Skunk and kits, Kangaroo Rat, Javelina, and Ringtail Cat.



**DESERT NIGHT SHIFT:**  
**A Pack Rat Story**  
SC: 9781891795329 Retail: \$7.95  
HC: 9781891795169 Retail: \$15.95  
Publisher: RGU Group  
Author: Conrad J. Storar

Pub Date: 9/06

In the Sonoran Desert, Penny Pack Rat loves to collect things at night. One day Nana says she always wanted a silver spoon. Penny decides to find one for her. Facts about the Desert Pack Rat and Words to Learn at the end of the book provide extra value for young readers. For ages 4-8.



**DON'T CALL ME PIG!**  
**A Javelina Story**  
SC: 9781891795015 Retail: \$9.95  
HC: 9781891795039 Retail: \$16.95  
Publisher: RGU Group

Author: Conrad J. Storar  
Pub Date: 2/99

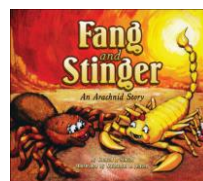
This delightful children's tale focuses on a javelina and his humorous and educational encounters in his native desert habitat. Ages 4-8.



**DON'T EVER CROSS THAT ROAD!**  
**An Armadillo Story**  
SC: 9781891795237 Retail: \$6.95  
HC: 9781891795084 Retail: \$15.95  
Publisher: RGU Group  
Author: Conrad J. Storar

Pub Date: 11/06

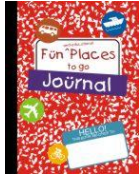
In this delightful book, a teacher armadillo tells his class about their prehistoric ancestor – a glyptodont that weighed nearly two tons. He describes what an armadillo eats for lunch and he cautions them about the dangers of crossing the road. Ages 4-8.



**FANG AND STINGER:**  
**An Arachnid Tale**  
SC: 9781891795640 Retail: \$7.95  
HC: 9781891795633 Retail: \$16.95  
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Conrad Storar

Pub Date: 4/13

This story is the friendship of a tarantula and a scorpion who are picked on by a tarantula hawk wasp and learn to stand up themselves. Contains informative text at the back of the book about scorpions and tarantulas.



**FUN AND EDUCATIONAL PLACES TO GO JOURNAL**  
**ISBN: 9780964673755** Retail: \$7.95  
Publisher: Fun Places  
Author: Susan Peterson  
Pub Date: 11/09, Format: SC

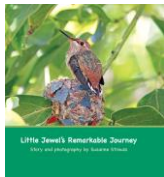
This updated journal is designed to guide and encourage kids to write about their travels. There are sections for short trips and longer trips, as well as travel tips and games. Next time you ask your kids how their trip was and they say "It was fun," remember the *Fun and Educational Places to go Journal*.



**LIFE IN THE SLOW LANE:  
A Desert Tortoise Tale**  
**SC: 9781891795336** Retail: \$9.95  
**HC: 9781891795077** Retail: \$16.95  
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Conrad J. Storad

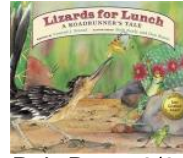
Pub Date: 12/05

Tortoises think life in the "slow lane" is better! Shelly the Tortoise and her Grandpa spend the day learning about their cousins (crocodiles), eating their favorite foods (prickly cactus and flowers), and losing races with jackrabbits. Life in the slow lane seems perfect - except for those homes and highways moving into the tortoises' habitat. How can people and tortoises really live together? In delightful rhymed verse, here is the story of the how the tortoise has adapted to survive in the desert. Useful information about these amazing creatures appears at the end of the book. Ages: 4-8



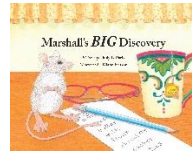
**LITTLE JEWEL'S REMARKABLE JOURNEY**  
**ISBN: 9781734226706** Retail: \$16.99  
Publisher: Sunnystyle Books  
Author: Susanne Strauss  
Pub Date: 4/20, Format: HC

Through stunning photographs, follow Little Jewel on her remarkable journey from the day she hatches out of a tiny egg (Day 1) to the day she flies out of the nest (Day 24). With her mom's great care, Little Jewel grows into a beautiful fledgling ready to explore the world. This informative book also includes a day-by-day growth chart of Little Jewel, facts about hummingbirds, and tips to attract hummingbirds to gardens.



**LIZARDS FOR LUNCH:  
A Roadrunner's Tale**  
**ISBN: 9781891795008** Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Conrad J. Storad  
Pub Date: 9/01, Format: SC

Roadrunners are speedy, fearless, and when they do take time out from ruling the desert scrublands and meadows they call home, they enjoy a tasty snack of... lizards? It's true! The aptly titled *Lizards for Lunch: A Roadrunner's Tale* provides you, the reader, with a glimpse of the world as it is known to the speedy roadrunner. Far from the cartoon character many people are familiar with, the life and habits (eating and otherwise) of the roadrunner are accurately depicted in this book though a witty rhyme and fantastically vibrant illustrations. You will see something new each time you adventure into this book and the roadrunner's world. And you will gain an appreciation for not having the uncertain life of a lizard, or as the roadrunner would see you - as lunch! Ages 4-8



**MARSHALL'S BIG DISCOVERY**  
**ISBN: 9781735067315** Retail: \$18.95  
Publisher: Paris Kids Publishing  
Author: Judy L. Paris  
Illustrator: Diane Iverson  
Pub Date: 10/23, Format: HC

Set in the mountains of the West, Marshall Mouse is teased because he is different. But when his brother faces a problem, Marshall discovers he holds the secret to the solution. A story of misunderstanding, discovery, acceptance, and renewal. Children's fiction ages 3-9



**MONSTER IN THE ROCKS**  
**ISBN: 9781891795657** Retail: \$7.95  
Publisher: Bobolink Media  
Author: Conrad J. Storad  
Pub Date: 3/14, Format: SC

"Be smart. Stay safe. Listen to your parents!" That's the message from Mama and Papa Quail to their covey of chicks. The watch word is BEWARE! There are other lessons to learn as well as Eddie the Elf Owl narrates *Monster in the Rocks*, a new tale from the southwestern deserts written by Conrad J. Storad and illustrated by Nathaniel Jensen.



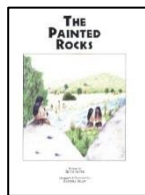
**MY ANCESTORS' VILLAGE**  
ISBN: 9780932653611 Retail: \$12.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Roberta Labastida  
Pub Date: 11/03, Format: SC

This charming story, told from the view point of a young Indian from the Kumeyaay (Kumiai) nation, describes the traditional way a family lived in years past and how they continue to share this knowledge in today's world. The book is an engaging way for youthful readers to adventure into earlier times in the countryside of the Alta/Baja California borderlands and to learn about native ways.



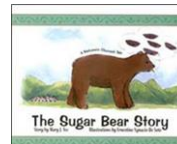
**STONE PIZZA**  
ISBN: 9781891795268 Retail: \$15.95  
Publisher: RGU Group  
Author: Susan K. Mitchell  
Pub Date: 1/07, Format: HC

Off in the dry, hot desert, a drought and brushfires have made food hard to find for a group of hungry critters. When clever Coyote wanders along their particular stretch of highway, he doesn't find much hospitality, but he's determined to find a meal - one way or another. With just one flat stone, Coyote thinks he can whip up a tasty pizza. Horned toad is the tart tongued skeptic, but Raccoon, Tortoise, Skunk, Armadillo, Field Mouse, and Jackrabbit are willing to trust Coyote, as long as they get a piece of the pie! *Stone Pizza* portrays the power of team work and sharing, putting a southwestern twist on the old "Stone Soup" fable. Susan K. Mitchell creates one clever but good-natured Coyote and a lovable cast of characters willing to risk their last morsels of food for the prospect of a delicious pizza. Ages 4-8



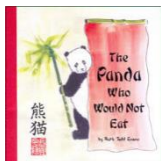
**THE PAINTED ROCKS**  
ISBN: 9780965372503 Retail: \$12.95  
Publisher: San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers  
Author: Ruth Alter  
Pub Date: 4/96, Format: SC

The Piedras Pintadas archaeological site, located in north central San Diego County, is seen through the eyes of a young girl and her guide. This informative book tells how the Kumeyaay lived, built their homes, played games, made meals, crafted clay pots, constructed bows and hunting implements, and worked stone tools.



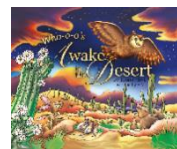
**THE SUGAR BEAR STORY**  
ISBN: 9780932653703 Retail: \$12.95  
Publisher: Somethin's Fishy Publications  
Author: Ernestine de Soto, Mary J. Yee  
Pub Date: 12/04, Format: SC

This children's tale is based on a Chumash oral legend about how to be a good host. Brightly illustrated by the author, the book incorporates Chumash words and traditional designs, and includes a tribal linguistics map and Chumash glossary. The land occupied by the Chumash peoples stretches along the coast of southern to central California.



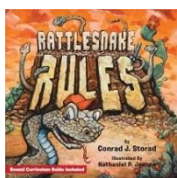
**THE PANDA WHO WOULD NOT EAT**  
ISBN: 9780932653840 Retail: \$9.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Ruth Todd Evans  
Pub Date: 11/07, Format: SC

Colorful illustrations by the author complement this TRUE tale of a picky panda bear at the San Diego Zoo. The panda worries everyone at the Zoo by not eating, until the keeper finds just the right thing to please the hungry bear. This charming read-aloud story is based on the true story of one of the first pandas in the San Diego Zoo's Giant Panda Conservation program.



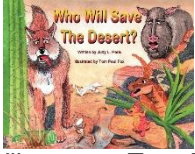
**WHO-O-O's AWAKE IN THE DESERT**  
ISBN: 9781941384312 Retail: \$14.95  
Publisher: Sunbelt Publications  
Author: Jenny Holt  
Pub Date: 3/17, Format: HC

In this southwest bedtime story, as the desert sun sinks into the west, the desert animals prepare for night. Owl takes her nightly flight observing the evening activities before she makes her way to her nest.



**RATTLESNAKE RULES**  
ISBN: 978-1-58985-211-2 Retail: \$8.95  
Publisher: Story Monsters Press, Division of Story Monsters LLC  
Author: Conrad J. Storad  
Pub Date: 1/09, Format: SC

*Rattlesnake Rules*, by national award-winning children's author Conrad J. Storad, helps young readers learn important facts about one of nature's most maligned creatures. Children will learn what and how and when rattlesnakes eat and why they rattle their tails. *Rattlesnake Rules* is illustrated by Nathaniel P. Jensen.



**WHO WILL SAVE THE DESERT?**  
(2<sup>ND</sup> ed.)

ISBN: 9781735067322 Retail: \$18.95

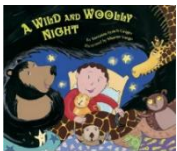
Publisher: Paris Kids Publishing

Author: Judy L. Paris

Illustrator: Tom Paul Fox

Pub Date: 10/23, Format: HC

Meet Santiago, the horned lizard and desert protector. Santiago is the grandest critter in the desert. He loves the pristine land and his friendly neighbors. When a mystery develops, he wonders what is happening. Trash is appearing and ruining his wonderful desert. How can the desert be saved and who will help him? Children's fiction ages 3-9



**A WILD AND WOOLLY NIGHT**

ISBN: 9781891795251 Retail: \$15.95

Publisher: RGU Group

Author: Lorraine Lynch Geiger

Pub Date: 1/07, Format: HC

Most little kids don't look forward to bedtime, but Phillip is quite ready to go to sleep. Just as he cuddles into his new bedspread of stars, Phillip finds that they've turned into dripping wet starfish. How can he sleep with starfish? Luckily, he has a whole closet full of different bedspreads. But the next bedspread brings in jumping frogs! He definitely cannot sleep with frogs! So, he pulls out a new spread... and another... and another. Black and white shapes, spots, stripes, polka dots - each bedspread brings on more animals who won't let Phillip sleep. What kind of bedspread will stop this "wild and woolly" night? Surely not one that attracts swinging chimpanzees or a flock of flamingos. Will Phillip ever get to sleep? Lorraine Lynch Geiger creates a sense of suspense for young readers with each new bedspread that Phillip retrieves. And Sharon Vargo captures the imaginative animal mayhem that takes place in the course of one sleepless night. With each page turn, kids will love guessing what animal is next to appear from the latest bedspread design.