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Hattie Peck: The Journey Home

"Unflinching and unforgettable. Little Secrets has everything you want in a thriller" —Riley Sager, New York Times bestselling author of Lock Every Door
Overwhelmed by tragedy, a woman desperately tries to save her marriage in award-winning author Jennifer Hillier's Little Secrets, a riveting novel of psychological suspense. All it takes to unravel a life is one little secret
Marin had the perfect life. Married to her college sweetheart, she owns a chain of upscale hair salons, and Derek runs his own company. They're admired in their community and are a loving family—until their world falls apart the day their son Sebastian is taken. A year later, Marin is a shadow of herself. The FBI search has gone cold. The publicity has faded. She and her husband rarely speak. She hires a P.I. to pick up where the police left off, but instead of finding Sebastian, she learns that Derek is having an affair with a younger woman. This discovery sparks Marin back to life. She's lost her son; she's not about to lose her husband, too. Kenzie is an enemy with a face, which means this is a problem Marin can fix. Permanently.

Until It Hurts to Stop

The heartwarming true story of two penguins who create a nontraditional family. At the penguin house at the Central Park Zoo, two penguins named Roy and Silo were a little bit different from the others. But their desire for a family was the same. And with the help of a kindly zookeeper, Roy and Silo got the chance to welcome a baby penguin of their very own.

And Tango Makes Three

Lilith is considered among the darkest of MacDonald's works, and among the most profound. It is a story concerning the nature of life, death and salvation. Many believe MacDonald is arguing for Christian universalism, or the idea that all will eventually be saved.

Everything Below the Waist

Sleuthing duo Emily and James tackle their most challenging mystery yet set on the haunting Alcatraz Island in Book 3 of the New York Times bestselling Book Scavenger series! Legendary literary game-maker Garrison Griswold is back in action—this time with “Unlock the Rock.” For his latest game, Griswold has partnered with the famous--and famously reclusive--mystery writer Errol Roy to plan an epic escape room challenge on Alcatraz Island. Emily and James are eager to participate, but the wave of fame they are riding from their recent book-hunting adventures makes them a target. Threatening notes, missing items, and an accident that might not have been an accident have the duo worried that someone is trying to get them out of the game at any cost. When Emily’s brother is caught red-handed and blamed for all the wrong doings, Emily is certain Matthew is being framed. With Matthew’s record on the line, Emily and James can’t afford to leave this mystery uncracked. Christy Ottaviano Books

Little Secrets

Journalist Walls grew up with parents whose ideals and stubborn nonconformity were their curse and their salvation. Rex and Rose Mary and their four children lived like nomads, moving among Southwest desert towns, camping in the mountains. Rex was a charismatic, brilliant man who, when sober, captured his children's imagination, teaching them how to embrace life fearlessly. Rose Mary painted and wrote and couldn't stand the responsibility of providing for her family. When the money ran out, the Walls retreated to the dismal West Virginia mining town Rex had tried to escape. As the dysfunction escalated, the children had to fend for themselves, supporting one another as they found the resources and will to leave home. Yet Walls describes her parents with deep affection in this tale of unconditional love in a family that, despite its profound flaws, gave her the fiery determination to carve out a successful life. -- From publisher description.

Round

Over in the garden, mother insects and their children enjoy various activities from morning sun to evening moon.

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler

Many different types of wildlife live in and around a tree that is their home, from chipmunks and woodpeckers to ants and spiders.

Mama Built a Little Nest

From award-winning author Jennifer Ward and celebrated artist Lisa Congdon in her debut picture book comes a lyrical, rhyming exploration of the many round things that can be found in nature. Nature all around is round Take a spin through the seasons in this thoughtful and meditative picture book that explores roundness in the natural world. There are round birds' nests and eggs in the spring, round raindrops falling from the sky in the summer, round apples filling the trees in the fall, and round snowflakes covering the ground in winter—and so much more! Little ones will love this stunning read-aloud that is certain to intrigue and inspire them to start looking all around outside for things that are round.

Over in the Garden

Buck Cooper is Texan, obese, and invisible to his colleagues. Even worse, to the voluptuous Allison Turner, the girl of his dreams, he is way below par. Buck's entire life is about fitting in, a feat he has struggled to achieve but at which he has never succeeded. Until, that is, serendipity lands him in Japan, right in the middle of a sumo match. As his life takes a new turn in a country where being big can mean fame and fortune, Buck must embark on the most dangerous, yet adventurous ride of his life: to find the ultimate meaning of love and acceptance, even if it means risking his life and giving up everything he has. Laced with humor, this novel takes readers into the heart of sumo wrestling in Japan, seamlessly juxtaposing the human drama behind Japan's national sport with one man's pursuit to belong.

Surprising Spring

Seeds can be big or small, round or pointy, and all sorts of colors. They can become flowers, trees, fruits, or vegetables, and they sprout all times of year, during spring, summer, fall, and winter. But all seeds have one thing in common--inside each is a new plant life waiting to emerge. What kind of plant will bloom? Wait and see what will grow! Including four gorgeous pull-out gatefolds, this lyrical and stunningly illustrated book includes fun facts about starting a garden.

What Will Hatch?

When two curious dinosaurs stumble across a big egg that will soon hatch, they wonder: what kind of dinosaur will come out? They don't know what to expect, but that's okay--because there's a surprise in store--and it will be exactly what they

wanted all along!

She Wanted to Be Haunted

Bullying doesn't stop just because the bullies grow up. In seventh grade, Maggie Camden was the class outcast. Every day, the other girls tripped her, pinched her, trapped her in the bathroom, told her she would be better off dead. Four years have passed since then, and Maggie's tormentors seem to have moved on. The ringleader of them all, Raleigh Barringer, even moved out of town. But Maggie has never stopped watching for attacks, and every laugh still sounds like it's at her expense. The only time Maggie feels at peace is when she's hiking up in the mountains with her best friend, Nick. Lately, though, there's a new sort of tension between the two of them—a tension both dangerous and delicious. But how can Maggie expect anything more out of Nick when all she's ever been told is that she's ugly, she's pathetic, she's unworthy of love? And how can she ever feel safe, now that Raleigh Barringer is suddenly—terrifyingly—back in town? From the Hardcover edition.

Bah! Said the Baby

'Bah!' says the Baby. Does the Baby want a ball? A bottle? A bear? Join Baby's family as they try to figure out what Baby's first word really means in this charming picture book.

The Alcatraz Escape

Provides fifty-two outdoor activities for families to help engage children in discovering and learning about nature, including observing ants, tracing stars, and cultivating a garden.

There Was an Old Martian Who Swallowed the Moon

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce different kinds of birds' nests, from the scrapes that falcons build atop high, craggy ledges to the underground nests that burrowing owls dig. Includes brief facts about each kind of bird.

Balance the Birds

YOUR FUTURE AND YOUR DESTINY ARE TOO IMPORTANT. DISCOVER HOW TO GET UNSTUCK AND OVER YOUR FEAR. This book is for any woman who has ever been overwhelmed with indecision, paralyzed with fear, or just plain stuck. With no-

nonsense biblical truth, *Fear Is Not the Boss of You* is a loving kick in the backside that will catapult you into ACTION. Successful entrepreneur, business coach, and girl next door Jennifer Allwood is your guide to show you why you can't stay stuck, teaching you how to get out of your own way and get on the road to fulfilling the life of your dreams--even if you're afraid. Whether you're thinking of launching a new business, adopting a child, writing a book, or competing in a triathlon, Jennifer will motivate you to move from paralyzing fear into courageous obedience and action. With stories, straightforward truth, and practical tips you can apply today, Jennifer will show you how to: Identify how and where you are stuck Determine what's holding you back Get out of your own way Empower those around you Experience the incredible joy that comes from trusting a big God to do big things in you and through you This is your gutsy invitation to go after the big dream God has called you to . . . because fear is not the boss of you.

Fluency

Known as "The Peanut Butter Brothers" for their Wisconsin family business, hardworking Andrew, Abraham, and Austin Petersheim have their plates too full for romance--until their little siblings decide to play matchmaker . . . With their house full to bursting since Mammi and Dawdi moved back in, the Petersheim twins know the only way to get their bedroom back is to get their older brothers married off. But Abraham is so shy, he'll barely speak to girls. Still, they've noticed how he looks at Emma Wengerd at church. Emma is so talkative, Abraham's quiet ways wouldn't matter a bit. Soon, the boys have hatched a scheme that sends Abraham right to Emma's door--and her chicken coop . . . Abraham doubts that pretty, popular Emma would be interested in him. Yet when he finds himself by her side, having to straighten out the twins' mischief--more than once--he can't help imagining a future with her. And the more time they spend together, the more Abraham realizes that perhaps no matter how many boys buzz around Emma, with faith, it's only the right one that counts . . . Praise for Jennifer Beckstrand and her Matchmakers of Huckleberry Hill series "Full of kind, sincere characters struggling with the best ways to stay true to themselves and their beliefs." --Publishers Weekly "A heart-warming story of faith, hope, and second chances. The story will captivate readers who love the Amish culture and enjoy an endearing romance." --Amy Clipston, bestselling author of *A Seat by the Hearth*

How to Find a Bird

This companion to the celebrated *Mama Built a Little Nest* explores the many different kinds of dens animals build for their babies. Perhaps you'll come across a den, dark and deep and wide. And it will make you wonder... Who or what might be inside! There are so many different kinds of dens that mother animals make for their babies, from desert burrows to snow caves to elaborate underground tunnels. Jennifer Ward introduces young readers to all sorts of animals and the cozy burrows they call home in this bouncy, rhyming picture book, illustrated by Caldecott Honoree Steve Jenkins.

Hatch, Little Egg

In 1663 Oxford, a servant girl confesses to a murder. But four witnesses--a medical student, the son of a traitor, a cryptographer, and an archivist--each finger a different culprit

Who's Hatching?

Read Along or Enhanced eBook: Suddenly the Earth warms up from a long winter nap. Green appears all around. Nature comes alive and spring surprises us all as robins hatch and flowers bloom, beginning a new cycle of surprises.

Mama Dug a Little Den

A joyful and informative guide to birdwatching for budding young birders from an award-winning author-illustrator duo. How do you find a bird? There are so many ways! Begin by watching. And listening. And staying quiet, so quiet you can hear your own heartbeat. Soon you'll see that there are birds everywhere—up in the sky, down on the ground, sometimes even right in front of you just waiting to be discovered! Young bird lovers will adore this lushly illustrated introduction to how to spot and observe our feathered friends. It features more than fifty different species, from the giant whooping crane to the tiny ruby-throated hummingbird, and so many in between, and a detailed author's note provides even more information about birding for curious readers. This celebration of the wondrous variety, colors, and sounds of the avian world is sure to have children grabbing their binoculars and heading outside to explore.

Follow the Moon Home

This variation on the traditional, cumulative rhyme looks at the consequences of a martian's strange diet.

A Guide for Families of Commuter Students

Zane Obispo's new life on a beautiful secluded tropical island, complete with his family and closest friends, should be perfect. But he can't control his newfound fire skills yet (inherited from his father, the Maya god Hurakan); there's a painful rift between him and his dog ever since she became a hell hound; and he doesn't know what to do with his feelings for Brooks. One day he discovers that by writing the book about his misadventures with the Maya gods, he unintentionally put other godborn children at risk. Unless Zane can find the godborns before the gods do, they will be killed. To make matters worse, Zane learns that Hurakan is scheduled to be executed. Zane knows he must rescue him, no matter the cost. Can he

accomplish both tasks without the gods detecting him, or will he end up a permanent resident of the underworld? In this cleverly plotted sequel to *The Storm Runner*, the gang is back together again with spirited new characters, sneaky gods, Aztec royalty, unlikely alliances, and secrets darker than Zane could ever have imagined. Secrets that will change him forever.

The Glass Castle

Rhyming clues give hints to what baby animals might be hiding under the flaps, in an egg-shaped book. On board pages.

Fear Is Not the Boss of You

THE WARRIORS OF TOMORROW... The battlefields of the 31st century are ruled by the BattleMech; twelve-meter-tall, 100-ton bipedal engines of pure destruction. Piloted by MechWarriors, commanded by neo-feudal officers, owned by national governments and band of mercenaries, these 'Mechs make every other ground combat vehicle obsolete. This is the warfare of fusion-powered giants. This is BattleTech. THRUST INTO BATTLE TODAY... Allegra Greene is no stranger to the military; her father is a general, after all. But when she enters the Nellus Military Academy, she finds far more than she expected. She finds a group of friends that will keep her going, challenging training, and instructors that push her to the edge and beyond. Unfortunately, that's not all she finds, and soon the endemic politics and warfare of the Inner Sphere reach the Nellus Academy. And when their spaceship is hijacked and crash-lands on a remote moon, Allegra and her friends find themselves in a life-or-death struggle just to survive!

Hatch

Hattie Peck adores eggs of all kinds. However, she cannot make any of her own. No worries—Hattie has collected eggs from all over the world, hatched them, and raised her blended family of cockatoos, storks, owls, anything from an egg—even reptiles. But now it's time. They all need to leave her big loving nest. So off the flock goes, on their biggest—and saddest—adventure. Even though, in her heart, Hattie knows it's best. A poignant story about family and differences, making hard decisions, letting go and inclusion. It's not all sad, though, due to a nice twist ending as in the first book. Bright colorful and lively illustrations and lots of information about egg-bearing animals round out the story.

The Circus Ship

As everyone rushes to see the little bird hatch from his egg, they are greeted by a surprise when a pig is inside the egg

instead.

Texas Range Plants

Acclaimed book, now in English and Spanish, helps adults teach children about abuse, getting help, and how to set boundaries to stay safe. Without being taught about body boundaries, a child may be too young to understand when abuse is happening—or that it's wrong. Now available in a bilingual English-Spanish edition, *My Body Belongs to Me /Mi cuerpo me pertenece* offers a tool parents, teachers, and counselors can use to sensitively share and discuss the topic of sexual abuse. Through simple language and colorful illustrations, this straightforward, gentle book guides young children to understand that their private parts belong to them alone. The overriding message is that if someone touches your private parts, tell your mom, your dad, your teacher, or another safe adult. In a country where, according to estimates from the CDC, one in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused before age eighteen, this book is an essential abuse-prevention resource to help children feel, be, and stay safe. Using her experience working as a New York City prosecutor of child abuse and sex crimes, Jill Starishevsky has crafted a book that addresses body boundaries in a way that kids can understand and that doesn't seem scary or heavy-handed. Includes, in both English and Spanish, a letter to adults at the beginning and a section in the back with suggestions and resources for discussing the book with children.

The Fire Keeper

How does an elephant hatch an egg? They don't sit on them! But without the help of elephants, there would be a lot fewer birds in Africa. Find out how elephants impact their environment, and help birds to hatch eggs. This book is appropriate for early readers, or as a read-aloud book. Ages Pre-K to 8. Reading level: 1.9 LearningIsland.com believes in the value of children practicing reading for 15 minutes every day. Our 15-Minute Books give children lots of fun, exciting choices to read, from classic stories, to mysteries, to books of knowledge. Many books are appropriate for hi-lo readers. Open the world of reading to a child by having them read for 15 minutes a day.

AN Instance of the Fingerpost

With whimsical, rhyming stanzas, *She Wanted to be Haunted* offers a delightful, lyrical twist on the ever-important question of how to be your very best self. Clarissa the cottage is adorable . . . bright pink, with windows that wink, and flowers growing all around. But Clarissa doesn't want to be adorable--being cute is boring. Couldn't she be like her father, a creepy castle home to vampires and crypts? Or like her mother, a witch's hut full of spells and smells? If only she were haunted! Then she'd be less ordinary . . . What will it take for Clarissa to go from adorable to horrible?

Big in Japan

18+ for language and sexual content! When Hatch, the beloved Sargent at Arms for the Dogs of Fire MC, finds himself falsely incarcerated, his woman, Maisie, must move heaven and earth to release him, while holding back a pack of ravenous bikers whose bite is worse than their bark.

Hatch

Acclaimed activist Philippe Cousteau and renowned author Deborah Hopkinson team up to offer a story of the powerful difference young people can make in the world. Meet Viv, who has a new home and a new school by the sea, and follow her as she finds her way in a new place and helps bring together a whole community to save the sea turtles of the South Carolina coast.

I Love Dirt!

Combines rhythmic text, illustrations, and cutouts in an introduction to eight varieties of animals that hatch from eggs, including a squiggly tadpole, a fuzzy robin, and a leathery platypus.

Abraham

Elle's 30 BEST BOOKS OF THE SUMMER "A jaw-dropping investigation into the women's health industry." —Shelf-Awareness "A fascinating examination of the past and present of women's healthcare" —Delfina V Barbiero, USA TODAY "A must-read for women, especially any woman who might ever need to see a doctor. " —The Washington Post American women visit more doctors, have more surgery, and fill more prescriptions than men. In *Everything Below the Waist*, Jennifer Block asks: Why is the life expectancy of women today declining relative to women in other high-income countries, and even relative to the generation before them? Block examines several staples of modern women's health care, from fertility technology to contraception to pelvic surgery to miscarriage treatment, and finds that while overdiagnosis and overtreatment persist in medicine writ large, they are particularly acute for women. One third of mothers give birth by major surgery; roughly half of women lose their uterus to hysterectomy. Feminism turned the world upside down, yet to a large extent the doctors' office has remained stuck in time. Block returns to the 1970s women's health movement to understand how in today's supposed age of empowerment, women's bodies are still so vulnerable to medical control—particularly their sex organs, and as result, their sex lives. In this urgent book, Block tells the stories of patients, clinicians, and reformers, uncovering history and science that could revolutionize the standard of care, and change the way women think about their health. *Everything*

Below the Waist challenges all people to take back control of their bodies.

What Will Grow?

A follow-up to Stack the Cats, Balance the Birds is about balance and relative size. When birds spot a tree and decide to land on its branches, the readers can help them find the perfect balance. Like Stack the Cats, Balance the Birds introduces key early math skills for toddlers.

BattleTech: The Nellus Academy Incident

NASA discovered the alien ship lurking in the asteroid belt in the 1960s. They kept the Target under intense surveillance for decades, letting the public believe they were exploring the solar system, while they worked feverishly to refine the technology needed to reach it.

Lilith

This book describes and illustrates the 140 grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees that are economically important on Texas rangelands because of their important forage characteristics, poisonous attributes, or "weedy" or aggressive nature.

The Busy Tree

Published in partnership with NODA, the Association for Orientation, Transition, and Retention in Higher Education Family members of new college students are often unsure what to expect and how to best help their students succeed in higher education. Focusing on the unique needs of commuter students, this brief guide describes typical challenges in adjusting to college, support services and opportunities offered by colleges and universities, and strategies family members can use to encourage student learning and success. A glossary of college terms is included. \$2.25 each when purchased in multiple copy pack of 100.

My Body Belongs to Me / Mi cuerpo me pertenece

"The verse is sprightly, but the pictures are the true stunners." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) When a circus ship runs aground off the coast of Maine, the poor animals are left on their own, but they soon win over the wary townspeople with their kind, courageous ways. So well do the critters blend in that when the greedy circus owner returns to claim them,

villagers of all species conspire to outsmart the bloated blowhard. With buoyant rhymes and brilliantly caricatured illustrations evoking the early nineteenth century, Chris Van Dusen presents a hugely entertaining tale about the bonds of community?—?and a hidden-pictures spread for eagle-eyed readers of all ages.

How Does An Elephant Hatch An Egg?

Run away to the Metropolitan Museum of Art with E. L. Konigsburg’s beloved classic and Newbery Medal-winning novel *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*—now available in a deluxe keepsake edition! Claudia knew that she could never pull off the old-fashioned kind of running away...so she decided to run not from somewhere but to somewhere. That was how Claudia and her brother, Jamie, ended up living in the Metropolitan Museum of Art—and right in the middle of a mystery that made headlines. Celebrate the legacy of the Newbery Medal-winning classic with this special edition.

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