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## Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to present you with a copy of our Foreign Rights Catalogue for Autumn 2007, featuring amusing, exciting and compassionate stories for young readers: Lea Whirlwind is back, desperate to celebrate her birthday in style while Matthis discovers a stone, which cheers him up when things get on top of him. Jan and Flo solve the mystery of a wonderful clock, Konrad learns the duties of a knight and Nele finds a friend.

New additions to popular series describe how Jonas and Hanna help the Little Elf find her magic wand and the Wonder Twins, Laura and Leonie, try to capture a kidnapper. Our youngest readers will have fun piecing together the attractive pictures in our new jigsaw books, while Paula and Simone provide plenty of excitement for teenage readers.

A farmer and a fireman write letters to children, telling them all about a typical day in their lives and the Christmas Bears, Squirrel Fritz and Mary's little donkey help to evoke the mood of Christmas...



If you have any questions or require further information on titles in this catalogue, please do not hesitate to contact us or visit our website at [www.kerle.de](http://www.kerle.de). We look forward to hearing from you!

With best wishes

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# Picture Book



**Michaelis, Antonia**

## Nele and the Ice Crystal

Nele und der Eiskristall

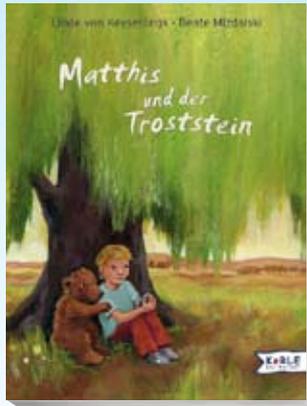
Nele loves sneaking off to the wild garden surrounding the unoccupied house. Here the world is mysterious and enchanted for it is here that the elder fairies live. One day, with the help of her magic ice crystal, Nele turns a fairy into a little girl. The two girls spend lots of happy days together. But when spring comes the ice crystal begins to melt. Will Nele be able to keep her new friend?

Antonia Michaelis is one of a number of talented young writers of German children's literature.

Miriam Cordes has illustrated numerous children's books..

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**Keyserlingk, Linde von**

## Matthis and the comfort stone

Matthis und der Trost-Stein

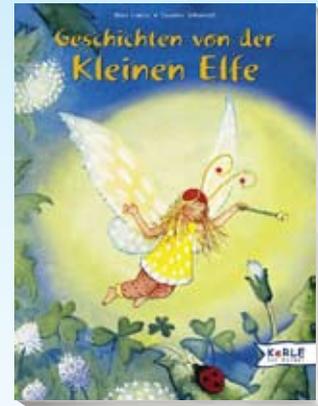
Matthis's parents have split up and he often feels sad. His grandfather gives him a little comfort stone, telling him that it will cheer him up whenever he feels sad. As soon as he presses the stone, it will make him feel happy again. And it's true! The stone really does help. One of Linda von Keyserlingk's nicest "Stories for Children's Souls".

Linde von Keyserlingk has written numerous children's books.

Beate Mizdalski works as a freelance illustrator.

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**Limoni, Marc**

## Stories of Little Elf

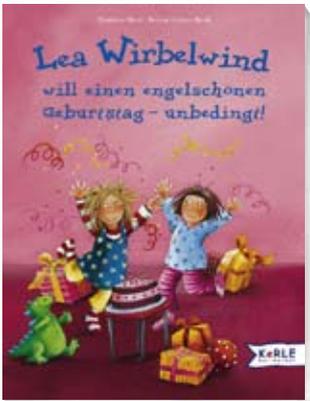
Geschichten von der kleinen Elfe

In the first story, Little Elf is thoroughly distraught. She has lost her magic wand. Hanna and Jonas come to her rescue and not only do they find her wand for her, one of their most heartfelt wishes comes true at the same time. In the second adventure the young puppy Maxi disappears without a trace. Luckily, Little Elf knows how to help Hanna and Jonas.

Marc Limoni has published numerous children's books. Susanne Schwandt works as a freelance illustrator.

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**Merz, Christine**

## Lea Whirlwind desperately wants a birthday party

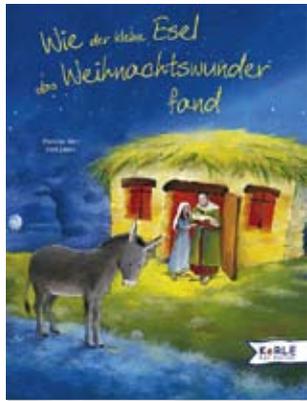
Lea Wirbelwind will einen engelschönen Geburtstag - unbedingt!

It's Lea's birthday and she is desperately looking forward to having a proper birthday party. But Mummy is so busy at work that Lea's party has to be postponed. Lea is deeply disappointed. She had wanted to have an amazing birthday party. Secretly, Lea and her friend Marie resolve to stay up all night. Lea and Marie discover that it is not easy to stay awake for so long.

Christine Merz has published numerous children's books. Betina Gotzen-Beek is a very successful freelance illustrator.

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ISBN: 978-3-451-70790-2

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**Merz, Christine**

## How the Little Donkey found the Miracle of Christmas

Wie der kleine Esel das Weihnachtswunder fand

Mary's little donkey has recovered from the long journey to Bethlehem and is beginning to feel a bit bored standing around in the stable. He is looking for adventure but the ox prefers to stay in the comfort of the stable. And so the little donkey starts out on his own to explore his surroundings. But when it begins to get dark the little donkey is frightened. Luckily there is a bright star shining over the stable and ....

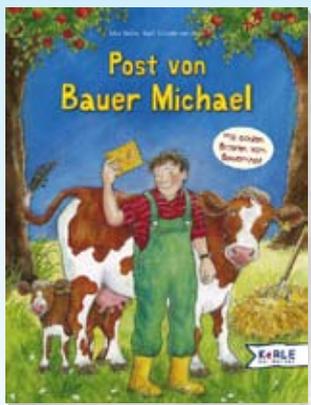
Christine Merz has written numerous children's books. Elena Zabine is a member of the group of illustrators 13strich.

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# Picture Book



Hahn, Max

## A Letter from Farmer Michael

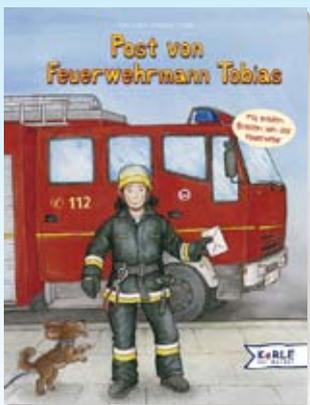
Post von Bauer Michael

A very personal way of imparting knowledge to children: Farmer Michael has written five letters telling nursery school children everything about a typical day on the farm, for example how the cows are fed and milked, when the vet comes. Young lovers of farm life will hear everything they have always wanted to know from the farmer himself.

Max Hahn has been writing children's stories since 2003. Ruth Scholte van Mast works as a freelance illustrator.

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Hahn, Max

## A Letter from Fireman Tobias

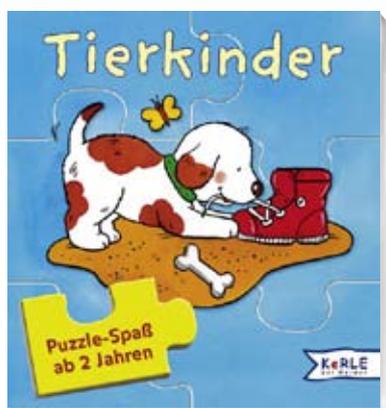
Post von Feuerwehrmann Tobias

Fireman Tobias has written five letters to the children at the Sonnenhöhe nursery school, telling them all about his exciting day as a fireman. He shares his wide knowledge of the fire brigade in authentic narratives and large pictures, which will keep children busy spotting details: the fire brigade answering a call, a major fire, flooding, the control room and lots more. And then comes the big day on which the children are allowed to visit the fire station.

Max Hahn has been writing children's stories since 2003. Irgard Teltau works as a freelance illustrator.

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## Animal Babies. Jigsaw Puzzle

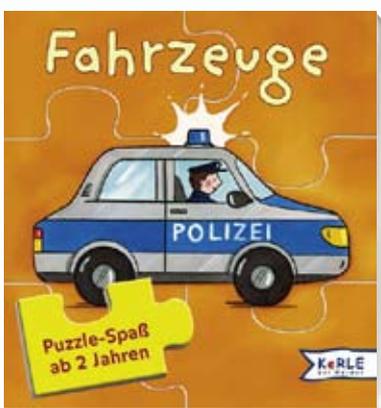
Tierkinder. Puzzle-Spaß

Children won't be able to resist piecing together these pictures of a rabbit, chick, kitten, puppy and mouse.

Angelika Penner has illustrated numerous children's books, toys and didactic learning aids.

15,8 x 16,8 cm, ca. 12 pages, Stable cardboard  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70813-8

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## Motor vehicles. Jigsaw Puzzle

Fahrzeuge. Puzzle-Spaß

Children are fascinated by motor vehicles of every description. They will love piecing together these colourful pictures of tractors, cars, diggers, fire engines and lorries.

Angelika Penner has illustrated numerous children's books, toys and didactic learning aids.

15,8 x 16,8 cm, ca. 12 pages, Stable cardboard  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70814-5

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# Family reading



**Scheffler, Ursel**

## If it wasn't for the Christmas Bears

Wenn die Weihnachtsbären nicht wären

In a little village not far from the Arctic Circle live the Christmas Bears. While normal bears tend to laze around and relax all the time, Bearland is a hive of activity: hammering, sawing, sandpapering, baking, sewing, screwing and singing. Everyone is busy. They have a secret and important job to do. They are helping Father Christmas!

Ursel Scheffler has written over 90 successful children's books.

Dorothea Ackroyd works as a freelance illustrator.

19,8 x 26,0 cm, ca. 96 pages, Hardcover  
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**Reichstetter, Friederun**

## Squirrel Fritz and the Christmas Party

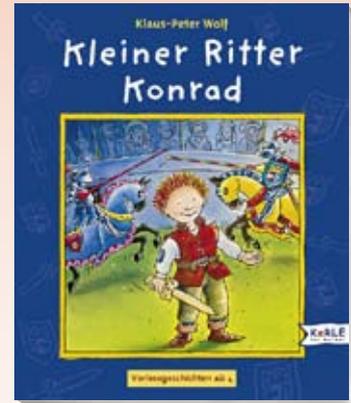
Eichhörnchen Fritz und das Weihnachtsfest

Little Squirrel Fritz has lost his nuts. What a calamity! He was intending to invite all the animals to a Christmas party and give them presents. Karla the crow knows something but she won't spill the beans. Was it Hamster who found the nuts? What a good thing it is that Fritz has so many friends who are willing to help him in his Christmas preparations! And in the end nothing stands in the way of a wonderful party.

Friederun Reichstetter has written numerous picture books and stories for children and novels for young adults. Hans-Günter Döring is a successful illustrator of children's books.

20,0 x 24,0 cm, ca. 48 pages, Hardcover  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70800-8

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**Wolf, Klaus-Peter**

## The Little Knight Konrad

Kleiner Ritter Konrad

Little Konrad is not only clever, he is also very brave. He protects his mother just as a proper knight. When Konrad meets the black knight Dagobert, who is searching for a squire, he seizes the opportunity of working for him in the hope of becoming a knight himself one day. But Sir Dagobert turns out to be not quite the role model Konrad is expecting. He is rather clumsy. What a good job that little Konrad is there to look after him!

Klaus-Peter Wolf has been awarded numerous prizes for his work. His novels and children's books have been sold more than 8 million times world-wide and translated into 22 languages.

Wilfried Gebhard has illustrated many children's books.

20,0 x 24,0 cm, ca. 48 pages, Hardcover  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70798-8

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**Merz, Christine**

## The new big book of Lea Whirlwind

Das neue große Buch von Lea Wirbelwind

What would bedtime stories be without Lea? To celebrate the Lea-anniversary here is a selection of the most popular stories about Lea Whirlwind at a nice price.

Christine Merz has published numerous children's books. Betina Gotzen-Beek is a very successful freelance illustrator.

20,0 x 24,0 cm, ca. 96 pages, Hardcover  
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# Fiction



**Beyer, Markus J.**

## The Secret of the World Clock

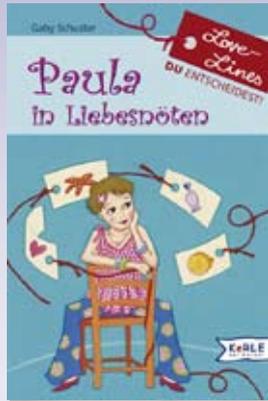
Das Geheimnis der Weltenuhr

Jan and Flo have moved to a new town. They are fascinated by a tower clock which, according to legend, was built by a talented clockmaker's apprentice, Johannes Chronimus. Banned from the craft guild because his master was envious and distrustful of him, Chronimus made his living as a tower keeper. In an underground vault he constructed a wonderful clock, which became associated with a strange prophecy. On Christmas Eve they make an amazing discovery...

Markus J. Beyer has published a number of children's stories in various anthologies.

13,9 x 20,5 cm, ca. 304 pages, Hardcover  
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**Schuster, Gaby**

## Paula in Love

Paula in Liebesnöten

Paula is in a bad mood. The whole world seems to have conspired against her. Her teacher keeps nagging because of a grade 5 in Maths, the swimming trainer is complaining about her lack of dedication, her mother is treating her like a small child. Not a very good starting position for a hapless 13-year-old in love. How can she concentrate on Adrian with all that stress to say nothing of developing a love-strategy?

Gaby Schuster has already written more than fifty books for children and teenagers.

Annabelle von Sperber works as a freelance illustrator.

13,5 x 20,5 cm, ca. 160 pages, Paperback  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70808-4

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**Schoof, Renate**

## Simone's Hot Summer

Simones heißer Sommer

Holidays at last! And Simone's chance at last to melt the heart of good looking but cold and mysterious Mick at the Summer Festival. But before she has had time to draw up her plan of action, she receives an unexpected offer which she cannot possibly refuse: she has been accepted to take part in a professional writing workshop in Grünau Castle. Or should she turn it down? How will budding author, Simone, decide in the end?

Renate Schoof writes poems, stories and novels.

Annabelle von Sperber works as a freelance illustrator.

13,5 x 20,5 cm, ca. 160 pages, Paperback  
ISBN: 978-3-451-70809-1

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**Wolf, Klaus-Peter**

## The Wonder Twins and the Strange Abduction

Die Wunderzwillinge und die rätselhafte Entführung

As Leonie and Laura leave the house one day, they are followed by a man in a grey coat. Laura immediately takes on the role of private detective. There is a kidnapper on the loose in town and she is determined to nab him. The man in the grey coat looks very suspicious. A wild hot pursuit full of mix-ups follows...

Klaus-Peter Wolf has been awarded numerous prizes for his work. His novels and children's books have been sold more than 8 million times world-wide and translated into 22 languages.

Sabine Kranz founded the studio group "Schönfärberei".

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