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A Big Surprise for Little Card

By Charise Mericle Harper
Illustrated by Anna Raff

Discover the joy of having (or being!) a library card in this funny, feel-good story about the unseen world of cards both big and small.

Every card has a special job to do. Long Card eats lots of cake and sings lots of songs as a ... birthday card! But what will Little Card's job be? Here's a clue... There's a very special place (full of books) that might just be perfect for a card his size ... As long as he can whisper!

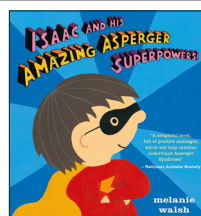
Walker Books • Hbk • Picture Book

9781406367263 5+ years

Arrp \$24.99 • NZrrp \$27.99

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Isaac and his Amazing Asperger Superpowers!

By Melanie Walsh

A groundbreaking picture book which explains Asperger's Syndrome in a simple, gentle and positive way to very young children.

Meet Isaac. He's a superhero! He might look like everyone else, but he has a kind of autism called Asperger's. Inside this book he'll tell you all about what it's like to have his Asperger superpowers.

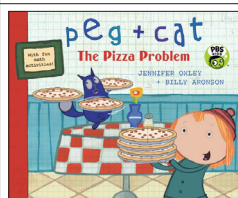
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Peg + Cat: The Pizza Problem

By Jennifer Oxley
Illustrated by Billy Aronson

Peg + Cat, stars of the Emmy-Award-winning animated series, are at it again with more bonkers maths problems to solve!

In this picture book, Peg and feline sidekick Cat have opened Peg's Pizza Place, where customers can enjoy a hot, cheesy slice while listening to some jazzy tunes. But can Peg keep up with all the orders of half and whole pizzas? She'll need to use her maths skills to keep up!

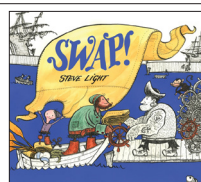
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Swap!

By Steve Light

From the award-winning creator of Have You Seen My Dragon? and Have You Seen My Monster? comes a broken-down ship, a loose button and a little pirate's brilliant idea: Let's SWAP!

In this first book of bartering and mental arithmetic a pint-sized pirate sets out to help a sea captain repair his decrepit vessel. One button for three teacups. SWAP! Two teacups for four coils of rope. SWAP! And so it goes, until the little swashbuckler – through simple sums – secures sails, anchors, a ship's wheel, and more...

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Heather Has Two Mummies

By Leslea Newman and Laura Cornell (illus)

When Heather goes to school for the first time, someone asks her about her daddy ... and Heather doesn't have a daddy! But then the class all draw portraits of their families, and not one single drawing is the same.

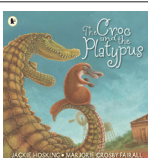
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The Croc and the Platypus

By Jackie Hosking and Marjorie Crosby-Fairall (illus)

The croc and the platypus trundled off in a rusty old Holden ute. They took some damper and tea in a hamper and bundled it up in the boot.

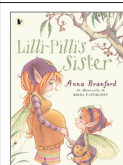
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Lilli-Pilli's Sister

By Anna Branford and Linda Catchlove (illus)

Lilli-Pilli's mother is having a baby. Lilli-Pilli is sure the baby is going to be a sister. She can feel it in her wings.

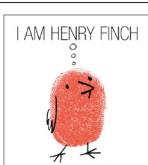
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I Am Henry Finch

By Alexis Deacon and Viviane Schwarz (illus)

For budding philosophers of all ages, this is the uplifting story of Henry Finch the loveable little bird who strives for greatness, gets it all a bit wrong, then makes it right again in a very surprising way

Walker Books • Pbk • Picture Book

9781406365481 5+ years

Arrp \$16.99 • NZrrp \$18.99

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Timmy Failure: We Meet Again

By Stephan Pastis

Timmy Failure: We Meet Again now in paperback!

Timmy's detective agency is on the verge of global domination. Global riches. Global fame. And yet the gods are throwing him curveballs: for starters, he's on a trial period at school and to keep his place he has to get good grades and really behave. The fabled Miracle report will be the key to his success. It's dirty business. It's best you know nothing. But one thing is for sure – Timmy Failure will be triumphant again!

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Timmy Failure: Mistakes Were Made

HB 9781406339802
Arrp \$17.99 • NZrrp \$19.99

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Timmy Failure: Now Look What You've Done

PB 9781406347876
Arrp \$12.99 • NZrrp \$14.99

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Timmy Failure: Sanitized For Your Protection

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The Princess in Black and the Hungry Bunny Hoard

By Shannon & Dean Hale and LeUyen Pham (illus)

It's a case of monstrous cuteness as the Princess in Black encounters her biggest challenge yet: a field overrun by adorable bunnies.

Princess Magnolia is on her way to have brunch with Princess Sneezewort when the glitter-stone ring rings. The monster alarm! After a quick change in the secret cave, Princess Magnolia is transformed into the Princess in Black! But when she gets to the goat pasture, all they can see is a field full of darling little bunnies nibbling on grass, twitching their velvet noses, and wiggling their fluffy tails. Where are the monsters? Are these bunnies as innocent as they appear?



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The Princess In Black

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The Princess In Black and the Perfect Princess Party

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The Princess In Black and the Hungry Bunny Hoard

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Mango & Bambang: The Not-a-Pig

By Polly Faber

Illustrated by Clara Vulliamy

A charming collection of four beautifully illustrated stories about the unlikely friendship between Mango, a little girl, and Bambang, an Asian tapir.

Mango Allsorts is good at all sorts of things, not just karate and chess. Bambang is most definitely not-a-pig and is now lost in a very busy city. When the two unexpectedly meet, a friendship begins, filled with adventures, and of course, plenty of banana pancakes. *The Not-a-Pig* is book one in a brilliant series from Polly Faber and Clara Vulliamy.



Mango & Bambang: Tapir All at Sea

By Polly Faber

Illustrated by Clara Vulliamy

Mango and Bambang's adventures continue in the second book of this charming illustrated series about a little girl and a tapir. Mango Allsorts is a girl good at all sorts of things, especially helping a tapir feel at home in a busy city. Bambang is that tapir and he's getting braver every day. Join then for their daring escapades, involving dogs, dancing, diamond rings and a dangerous old enemy. *Tapir All at Sea* is Book Two in this brilliant series for younger readers.

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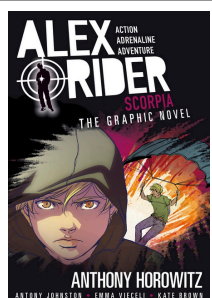
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Alex Rider: Scorpio The Graphic Novel

By Anthony Horowitz

Antony Johnston, Emma Vieceli and Kate Brown

A bold and stylish graphic adaptation of Alex Rider's fifth mission.

In the fifth book in the number one bestselling Alex Rider series by Anthony Horowitz, teenage spy Alex travels to Venice to discover the truth about his past. But the truth lies with a criminal organisation known as Scorpio, and Alex must make a choice ... work for MI6 once more, or betray everything he believes in.

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Walker Books • Pbk • Graphic Novel

9781406341881 9+ years
Arrp \$19.99 • NZrrp \$24.99

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The Mozart Question

By Michael Morpurgo

Illustrated by Michael Foreman

From a master storyteller and former Children's Laureate comes a moving story of a group of musicians who survived the Holocaust using the only weapon they had.

When Lesley is sent to Venice to interview world-renowned violinist Paulo Levi she cannot believe her luck. She is told that she can ask him anything at all – except the Mozart question. But it is Paulo himself who decides that the time has come for the truth to be told. As the story unfolds, the journalist begins to understand the full horror of war – and how one group of musicians survived using the only weapon they had.

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Walker Books • Pbk • Illustrated Fiction

9781406366396 7+ years
Arrp \$15.99 • NZrrp \$17.99

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Magrit

By Lee Battersby
Illustrated by Amy Daoud

A wonderfully strange yet poignant tale of accepting the truth about oneself.

Magrit lives in an abandoned cemetery. She is as forgotten as the tiny graveyard that surrounds her. One night a passing stork drops a strange bundle into the graveyard. Master Puppet, her friend and advisor, tells her it is an awful, ugly, terrible thing and that she should get rid of it. But Magrit has other ideas.

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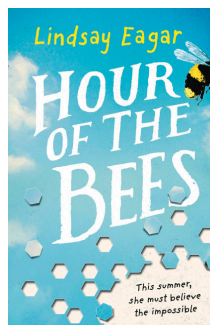


Walker Books Australia • Hbk • Junior Fiction

9781925081343

9+ years

Arrp \$19.99 • NZrrp \$22.99



Hour of the Bees

By Lindsay Eagar

A beautifully written debut novel that weaves together magic and reality, about a girl's relationship with her mentally ill grandfather.

When Carol and her family move to her grandfather's deserted ranch in order to transfer him to a care home, Carol struggles to cope with the suffocating heat and the effects of her grandfather's dementia. Yet when her grandfather chooses her as the subject for his stories – tales of a magical healing tree, a lake, and the grandmother she never knew – Carol sees glimmers of something special in what her parents dismiss as his madness.

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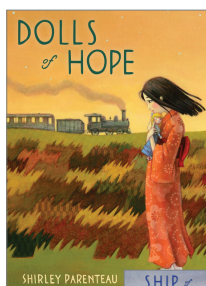


Walker Books • Pbk • Junior Fiction

9781406368154

9+ years

Arrp \$16.99 • NZrrp \$18.99



Dolls of Hope

By Shirley Parenteau

How daring is Chiyo prepared to be to keep the American Friendship Doll safe? An engaging companion to *Ship of Dolls*.

When eleven-year-old Chiyo Tamura is sent from her home to a girls' school in the city of Tsuchiura, she never imagines that she will soon be in Tokyo helping to welcome more than twelve thousand Friendship Dolls from America—including Emily Grace, a gift to her own school. Nor could she dream that she'd have an important role in the crafting of Miss Tokyo, one of fifty-eight Japanese dolls to be sent to America in return.

Candlewick Press • Hbk • Junior Fiction

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8+ years

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Ship of Dolls

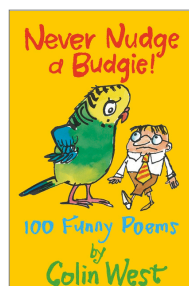
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8+ years

Arrp \$19.99 • NZrrp \$22.99



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Never Nudge a Budgie!

By Colin West

An uproariously funny collection of nonsense, *Never Nudge a Budgie!* is a master class in comic verse.

Never Nudge a Budgie! collects together one hundred of West's best poems yet. Some are old, some are new; all are infused with his trademark wit. And each poem is paired with a wonderful and winsome picture by the poet himself – don't miss his drawing of a crocodile getting its teeth checked, or of Betty eating spaghetti. There are limericks, tongue-twisters, shape poems and rhymes, each on a more unlikely topic than the last, such as the Ogglewop's large tummy, whether or not to be a bee, and why you should never ever nudge a budgie!

Walker Books • Pbk • Poetry

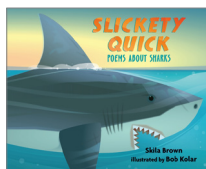
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5+ years

Arrp \$14.99 • NZrrp \$16.99



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Slickety Quick: Poems about Sharks

By Skila Brown
Illustrated by Bob Kolar

Fourteen shark species, from the utterly terrifying to the surprisingly docile, glide through the pages of this vibrantly illustrated, poetic picture book.

From the enormous whale shark to the legendary great white to the enigmatic goblin shark to the small cookie-cutter shark, *Slickety Quick* is a delightful frenzy of shark mayhem. Sneaky shark facts ripple through each spread to further inform the brave and curious young reader intrigued by the power – and danger – of these amazing creatures.

Candlewick Press • Hbk • Poetry/Picture Book

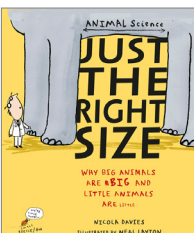
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5+ years

Arrp \$24.99 • NZrrp \$27.99



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Just the Right Size: Why Big Animals Are Big and Little Animals Are Little

By Nicola Davies
Illustrated by Neal Layton

Exciting new edition of one of the six books in zoologist Nicola Davies' fascinating Animal Science series – the best biology series ever!

Why are some animals big, some wide, some small and others long and thin? This informative natural history book, wittily illustrated by Neal Layton, explains all about how animals fit in to their environment and why, big, wide, small, long or thin, they are all just the right size.

Walker Books • Pbk • Non-Fiction

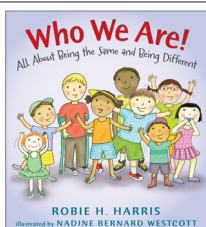
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7+ years

Arrp \$16.99 • NZrrp \$18.99



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Who We Are! All About Being the Same and Being Different

By Robie H. Harris
Illustrated by Nadine Bernard Westcott

This book helps preschoolers understand what makes us who we are – from our height to our hair, from the shade of our skin to our eyesight.

Accessible, humorous, family-filled illustrations and straightforward text come together to help children realise why it's important to treat others the way they want to be treated and the way you want to be treated – whether a person is a lot like you or different from you, a good friend or someone you have just met or seen for the first time.

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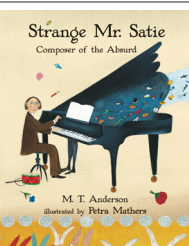
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3+ years

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Strange Mr Satie: Composer of the Absurd

By M.T. Anderson
Illustrated by Petra Mathers

Throughout his life, Erik Satie wanted to make a new kind of music, a kind of music both very young and very old, very bold and very shy, that followed no rules but its own.

At first glance, Erik Satie looked as normal as anyone else in Paris one hundred years ago. Beyond his shy smile, however, was a mind like no other. His tunes were strange and dreamlike, his melodies topsy-turvy and discordant. Many people hated his music. But to Erik Satie there was sense in nonsense, and the vibrant, surreal compositions of this eccentric man-child would go on to influence many artists.

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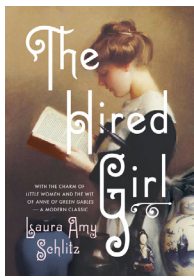
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5+ years

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The Hired Girl

by Laura Amy Schlitz

Newbery Medalist Laura Amy Schlitz brings her delicious wit and keen eye to early twentieth-century America in a moving yet comedic tour de force.

Fourteen-year-old Joan Skraggs, like the heroines in her beloved novels, yearns for real life and true love. But what hope is there for adventure, beauty or art on a remote farm where the work never ends? Over the summer of 1911, Joan seeks a new, better life for herself – because maybe a hired girl cleaning and cooking for six dollars a week can become what a farm girl could only dream of – a woman with a future.

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9781406361407 12+ years

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The Emperor of Any Place

by Tim Wynne-Jones

The ghosts of war reverberate across the generations in a riveting, time-shifting story.

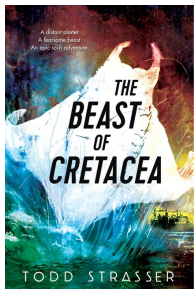
When Evan's father dies suddenly, Evan finds a hand-bound yellow book on his desk—a book his dad had been reading when he passed away. The book is the diary of a Japanese soldier stranded on a small Pacific island in WWII. Why was his father reading it? What is in this account that Evan's grandfather, whom Evan has never met before, fears so much that he will do anything to prevent its being seen? And what could this possibly mean for Evan?

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Candlewick Press • Hbk • Young Adult Fiction

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The Beast of Cretacea

by Todd Strasser

Master storyteller Todd Strasser reimagines the classic tale of Moby Dick as set in the future—and takes readers on an epic sci-fi adventure.

When seventeen-year-old Ishmael wakes up from stasis aboard the Pequod, he is amazed by how different this planet is from the dirty, dying, Shroud-covered Earth he left behind. He's here to work, risking his life to hunt down great ocean-dwelling beasts to harvest and send back to the resource-depleted Earth. The boat crews are ordered to ignore easy prey in order to pursue the elusive Great Terrafin. Dark secrets and dangerous exploits swirl around the pursuit of the beast, and Ishmael must do his best to survive—if he can.

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Walker Books • Hbk • Young Adult Fiction

9780763669010 12+ years

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MARTians

by Blythe Woolston

Award-winning author Blythe Woolston conjures an alien yet strangely familiar world of big box stores and suburban decay. Here, daily routine revolves around shopping – for those who can. For Zoë, the mission is simpler: live.

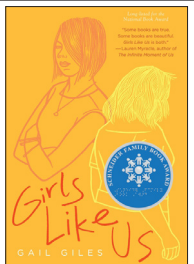
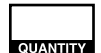
Zoë Zindleman, numerical ID 009-99-9999, is starting work at AllMART, where "your smile is the AllMART welcome mat". Her living arrangements are equally bleak: she can wait for her home to be repossessed, or move to the Warren, an abandoned shopping centre, to live with the other left-behind children. As Zoë struggles to find her place in a world that has consumed itself beyond redemption, she realizes she isn't ready to disappear into the AllMART abyss quite yet. Zoë wants to live.

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Walker Books • Pbk • Young Adult Fiction

9781406341393 12+ years

Arrp \$16.99 • NZrrp \$18.99



Girls Like Us

by Gail Giles

A sensitive and affecting story of two young women learning to thrive in spite of their hard circumstances

Quincy and Biddy are both graduates of their high school's special ed program, but they couldn't be more different. When they're thrown together as roommates in their first "real world" apartment, it initially seems to be an uneasy fit. But the two of them realise that they might have more in common than they thought—and more important, that they might be able to help each other move forward. Hard-hitting and compassionate, *Girls Like Us* is a story about growing up in a world that can be cruel and finding the strength—and the support—to carry on.

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Candlewick Press • Pbk • Young Adult Fiction

9780763680282 14+ years

Arrp \$16.99 • NZrrp \$18.99



Hell and High Water

by Tanya Landman

The heart-stopping tale of a young man's attempt to clear his father's name, from the Carnegie Medal-winning author of *Buffalo Soldier*.

When his father is arrested and transported to the Colonies, Caleb is left alone. After a desperate journey in search of an aunt he's never met he receives a strange, cold welcome. Then a body washes up on the nearby beach and Caleb is caught up in a terrifying net of lies and intrigue. Soon he and his new family are in mortal danger. This powerful story holds the reader in suspense as it charts the growth of a frightened boy into a brave young man.

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Walker Books • Hbk • Young Adult Fiction

9781406356618 12+ years

Arrp \$24.99 • NZrrp \$27.99



Black Dog Books



Little Lunch: Triple the Treats

By Danny Katz

Illustrated by Mitch Vane

This hilarious tie-in edition of the smash-hit television series "Little Lunch" has three brand-new bite-sized stories for young readers.

This is what happened during Little Lunch: Rory forgot his playlunch and did something that shocked everyone, Battie freaked out because he thought he'd ruined Grandparents Day and Melanie held a cake stall to help homeless puppies, but it didn't really help anyone! A lot can happen in fifteen minutes.

Black Dog Books • Pbk • Illustrated Fiction

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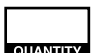
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Little Lunch: The Slide

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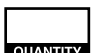
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Little Lunch: The Monkey Bars

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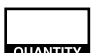
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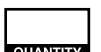
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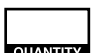
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Little Lunch: The Old Climbing Tree

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Little Lunch: The Off-Limits Fence

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