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SAMARITANA RATTAZZI
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MY STINKY MONSTER



SERIES: Oh, My Monster! - vol 1

AUTHOR:
ELEONORA C. CARUSO
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MAURIZIA RUBINO



ONE DAY, LEO COMES ACROSS A SLOBBERING, STINKY MONSTER. FROM THAT MOMENT ON, IT FOLLOWS HIM EVERYWHERE! BUT WHO IS THIS MONSTER AND WHAT DOES IT WANT WITH LEO?

Even if they don't know it, all children have their own monster – a kind of big, bad troublemaker. Leo, though, can actually see his! He works out that monsters are made of nothing more than children's fears. And you can even live with your monster. All it takes is getting to know them a little.... Unless your fears get bigger. If that happens, the monster grows, too. And maybe it will be dangerous. To tame his monster, Leo will have to use all his courage and creativity in a real battle of the imagination.

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COULD MIA, THE NEW KID IN CLASS
AND INTERNET SUPERSTAR,
HAVE A MONSTROUS HIDDEN FEAR?

Leo and his friends share a secret. A secret that, in Leo's case, looks like a slobbering but irresistible monster. Called Booger, his monster represents his huge fear of being stupid. Olivia's monster is Frou-Frou, and then Ren's monster is the mysterious... Shadow! Apparently, even Mia, the internet superstar, has a terrible hidden fear. And Leo suspects that, right on the eve of the big school play, Mia's fear is about to transform into a mega-monster! But the Monster Buster Squad is ready for action!

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WHO IS SCARED OF HALLOWEEN?



THE SECRET TO OVERCOMING YOUR WORST FEAR IS TO BEFRIEND IT... ESPECIALLY ON HALLOWEEN!

By now, Leo and his friends all know: every child has a monster that follows him or her and is invisible to everyone, or almost everyone, and represents the child's worst fear. And on the scariest night of the year, it is inevitable that someone will lose control and transform into a Mega Monster... Luckily the Monster Buster Squad is ready for action: there is no fear that can beat a battle of our imaginations! This time, however, an unexpected enemy is waiting for Leo, Ollie, Ren and Mia in the shadows of a haunted house...

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A MONSTER FOR SANTA CLAUS



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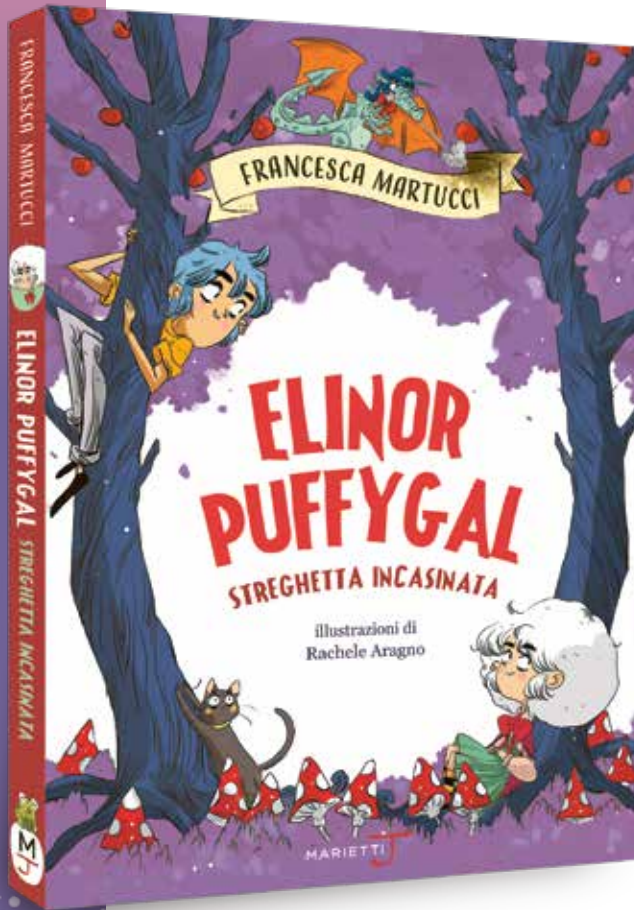


**WHO COULD HAVE IMAGINED
THAT EVEN SANTA CLAUS
HAD A HUGE FEAR AS A CHILD?**

Whilst a snowstorm is beginning to brew outside, a strange person appears at Leo's doorstep: he has a chubby face, a long, white beard and a terrible mega monster at his heels, who is stopping him from doing his job. And it is a very important job... Delivering packages on the night of 24th December! This time The Monster Buster Squad will have to deal with the secret fear of Santa Claus. Will they be able to defeat it with their imagination... and save Christmas for all the children around the world?

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ELINOR PUFFYGAL MESSY LITTLE WITCH



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THE ROAD TO BECOMING A PERFECT LITTLE
WITCH IS PAVED WITH TROUBLE,
NOSEY FRIENDS, AND MAGICAL MINI MYSTERIES.

Elinor has just been accepted by the prestigious School of Magical Arts of the Iridescent Forest. What will it be like? And, most importantly, how many times is she going to make a fool of herself? She'll never be as good as the rest of her family, who've been champions of the magical arts for generations! The only thing she thinks she's good at is playing with ingredients and creating special treats. But, thanks to her new friends and adventures at SMAIF, Elinor discovers that her talent is special, too. Actually, it's magic!

A new book by children's literature editor and translator FRANCESCA MARTUCCI.



GRAVITY, WHAT A FORCE!



SERIES: Robot Squad - vol 1

AUTHORS:

VALERIA CAGNINA - FRANCESCO BALDASSARRE

ILLUSTRATOR:

MATTEO PIANA



**ALL DREAMS CAN COME TRUE, EVEN
EMMA'S DREAM OF PLAYING RUGBY.
ALL SHE NEEDS TO MAKE IT ARE THREE
SPECIAL ROBOTS AND... THE FORCE OF GRAVITY!**

If, one day, you manage to solve the weirdest puzzle ever and then get catapulted into a black hole, it would be kind of... impossible, right?! But that's what happens to Emma and Plank, when they discover the Impossible Lab, a place where three zany robot scientists are waiting to make your dreams come true! Emma's dream is to play rugby, but she's a disaster on the team because she's such a lightweight. Thanks to the robots from the Impossible Lab, she'll discover that gravity can give her a secret weapon!

VALERIA CAGNINA and FRANCESCO BALDASSARRE are cofounders of OFpassiON, an educational robotics company. Their educational method, born by Valeria's experience at MIT in Boston, is based on 10 rules. The first one? Nothing is impossible!

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A CHEF'S FIVE SENSES



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THE SECRET TO BECOMING A FAMOUS STARRED CHEF IS HIDDEN... IN THE SENSES!

In Gasly's family, everyone eats cheese-and-onion sandwiches for lunch, dinner, and snacks. But Gasly can't take it anymore! He wants to learn how to cook. In fact, he wants to be the best chef in the world!

To help their friend make his dream come true, Emma and Plank take him to the Impossible Lab, a place at the end of the universe where three zany robot scientists make the impossible possible. Here, Gasly discovers that the secret of being a dream chef is hidden... in your senses!

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INTERGALACTIC EXPERIMENTS



SERIES: Robot Squad - vol 3

AUTHORS:

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ILLUSTRATORS:

MATTEO PIANA - MARTINA NALDI



HOW DID SANTA CLAUS GET LOST IN SPACE?
IT'S A MYSTERY THAT ONLY A REAL
SCIENTIST CAN SOLVE!

Have you ever tried to gather clues using static electricity? Would you like to play with a liquid that becomes a solid when you touch it? And what do you think about building a wind robot? Help Emma and Plank, the protagonists of this adventure, to find Santa Claus and challenge yourself with 10 fun and surprising tasks. It will be the most exciting treasure hunt of the whole galaxy!

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GIRL ISN'T A BAD WORD



GIRLS AND BOYS SHOULD SHARE
THE SAME SUPERPOWER...
BE ANYTHING THEY WANT!

Nina is ten and knows a lot about herself. She's curious, cheerful, a little stubborn... When the kids next door tease a little girl simply because she wants to play pirates, she discovers she's something else as well: a feminist. Nina finds out a lot of things: You don't have to be sweet. That it's important to make your voice heard. That you don't have to choose between being a princess or a warrior. In simple, everyday situations at home, at school, with friends, Nina learns all these things, one step at a time.

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GIRL ISN'T A BAD WORD 2 MY BODY IS OK



NINA HAS RETURNED. AND AS ALWAYS,
SHE HAS A LOT TO SAY... THIS TIME ABOUT BODY
CHANGES, HERS AND OTHER PEOPLE'S TOO!

Nina, Milale, Bianca and Ame are best friends, even though they are different from one other. But one thing is for sure: everyone accepts each other for how they truly are among friends, and they live everything side by side. But what happens when your body starts to change and you can no longer recognize yourself into the mirror?

The sequel of *Girl isn't a bad word* is a mix between an handbook and a novel that narrates, in simple language, how to deal with the changes of a growing body.

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THE REVENGE OF THE ILL-MANNERED ORPHANS



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**FOUR ECCENTRIC GIRLS CREATE
A MADE-TO-MEASURE HOME
AND A MADE-TO-MEASURE LIFE
IN THE NAME OF FRIENDSHIP AND FREEDOM.**

Imagine you're all alone in the world and they send you to "Jasmine Leticia di Corampopuli's Home for Ill-mannered Orphans"! Does your life suck, or what?! Arietta, Roxy, Tonja, and Lupita think theirs definitely does. But one day a tornado comes and sweeps away their guardian. That's when the girls say a big "No!" to their life as orphans, with all those bossy adults. It's time to build a new home, a place where the rules are all about what they like and dislike, and what really matters is growing a little stronger every day, together.

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NINA AND THE SECRETS OF THE TAXI



SERIES: **Taxi Time - vol 1**

AUTHOR:
FRANCESCA TASSINI
ILLUSTRATOR:
SARA NOT



A GIRL WITH A FLAIR FOR DETECTIVE WORK,
AN UNLIKELY TEAM OF FRIENDS, AND A TAXI
THAT JUST MIGHT BE A LITTLE MAGICAL!

Nina, who's 12, has an exceptional talent for spotting lies. After suddenly having to move in with her grandparents, she discovers that they have a secret. A weird secret, an amazing secret... a secret that's bright yellow with wheels! They used to run a detective agency out of a taxi! With the help of Jordy and with her grandpa at the wheel, Nina turns into a young, four-wheeled detective, solving cases that bubble under the surface of Citadelle.

A book by brilliant cinema and television screenwriter **FRANCESCA TASSINI**, author for Marietti Junior of *Snow Black*.

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NINA AND THE MYSTERY OF THE WHITE DEER



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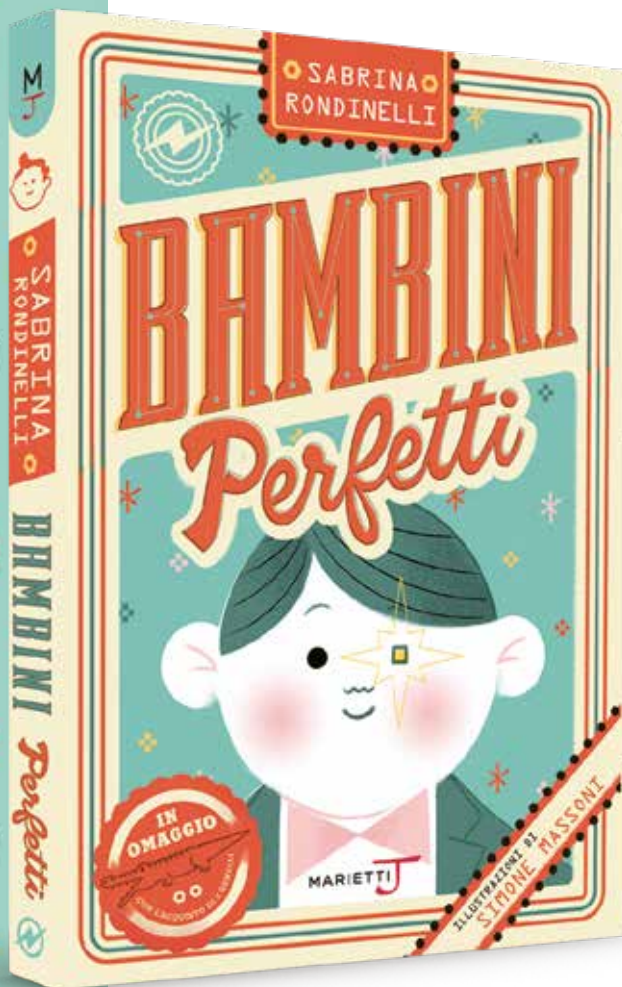


A MYSTERIOUS ANIMAL ROAMS THE STREETS
OF CITADELLE BY NIGHT, TERRORISING THE
INHABITANTS OF THE CITY. TRUTH OR LEGEND?
THE TAXI TEAM IS READY TO TAKE TO THE STREETS!

There are some who believe it to be an urban legend, and there are others who swear to have truly seen the majestic white deer roam the Citadelle streets at night. It is an irresistible mystery for Nina. The first clues lead to the lavish villa owned by Artie Pembroke, a young singer who seemed to have a lot to hide... It's now time to get the old taxi that served as a base for Grandma Amaranta, the first female detective of the city: with Grandpa Marlo at the wheel and her friend Jordy at her side, Nina's investigation can begin!

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PERFECT CHILDREN



AN ADVENTURE THAT REFLECTS ON OUR SOCIETY'S EXCESSES, TO DISCOVER THE VALUE OF BEING IMPERFECT.

It all began on the bus taking Leo and the other children to summer camp. Instead, they are all dumped and trapped in some kind of squalid warehouse. It is only thanks to the attentive Rachele, who managed to avoid having her phone confiscated by the so-called "entertainers", that the children manage to go online and figure out what has happened: their parents have ditched them! They have been lured in by a television advertisement for "perfect children". Some of the children become angry, others cry, some don't believe the news... But they all agree: they must rebel against their fate, escape from this place, and go back home. Maybe.

SABRINA RONDINELLI was born in 1972 in Turin. She has published stories and novels for children and teens as well as adults, which have received awards and been translated abroad. She is an expert in creative writing and reading education, and a member of the Italian Children's Writers Association (ICWA).

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I DON'T HAVE HEAD LICE



AUTHOR:
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ILLUSTRATOR:
GIORGIA CASTIGLIONI



A STORY THAT WILL MAKE YOU LAUGH AND
LAUGH AGAIN. AND MAYBE MAKE YOU FEEL A
LITTLE LESS ALONE. AND SCRATCH YOUR HEAD.

Hugo DOESN'T HAVE head lice. I hope that's clear.

Those things that are running around his hair are alien life forms, which have disembarked on his head and he doesn't know why. Clearly, he is the only one who knows this, also because they only communicate with him. Now, Hugo's life was already a bit of a mess when all he had to do was manage his parents, that unqualifiable bully called Bratt, and his chronic incapacity to even speak a word to the beautiful Dyleen. Now that he has an entire squad of small, intrusive, belligerent aliens who communicate with him telepathically, it's a bit more complicated. Or maybe... not?

After having deciphered the pages of a Medieval manuscript, LUCA COGNOLATO chose to teach as a cover-up. He reads, draws and dreams often. He invents stories too: his books have received awards and been translated abroad.

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MUMMIES, SWORDS AND TOOTHBRUSHES

TRAVELLING THROUGH TIME IN 20 OBJECTS + 1



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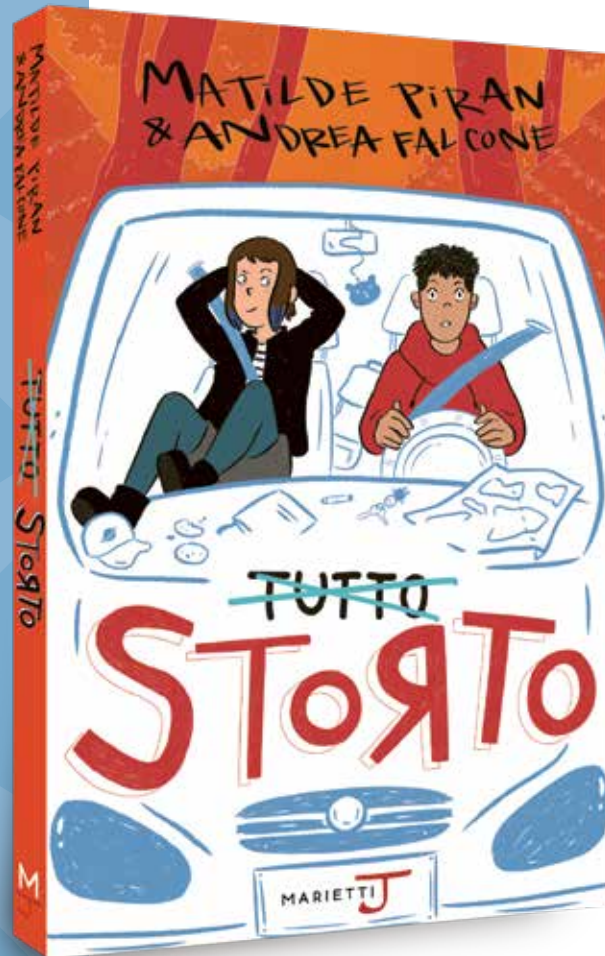
IF EVERYDAY OBJECTS COULD TALK... THEY WOULD TELL THE STORY OF HUMANITY!

Clio is definitely a girl of her times: she loves everything that's new and has her own personal robot, Rob. In her times the old-fashioned objects that her father, Astolfo, is fond of, have been relegated to a very unusual place: The Museum of Lost Objects, where it is possible to observe boring and outdated things like books, forks, chess sets, umbrellas... The day that Dad brings Clio and Rob to visit the museum, however, she discovers that the everyday life objects of a lost time have a lot to say for themselves. And through the many stories and inventions, she and Rob experience an amazing trip through time in search of the story of humanity.

LUCA RAINA is a Literature teacher in a lower secondary school. In collaboration with Politecnico di Milano he has experimented with innovative learning pathways in museums. He occasionally travels back in time, teaching on the TV programme "Il Collegio" (Rai Gulp).



WRONG



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SICK AND TIRED OF ADULT HYPOCRISY, TWO MISFIT TEENAGERS STEAL A MINIBUS AND DRIVE IT TO MANHATTAN IN SEARCH OF A PLACE WHERE THEY CAN BE WRONG IN THEIR OWN SPECIAL WAY.

Davide is pretty "normal" but doesn't think that all that normality has anything to do with who he is. Elisa, on the other hand, is angry at the whole world after she had to move home yet again because of her nuisance brother. That's why she and Davide decide to steal a minibus and run away to a place that's right for them... Manhattan.

Will they make it? Maybe it doesn't matter. After all, what really counts is the discovery that the best place to be is the one we make for ourselves.

MATILDE PIRAN and ANDREA FALCONE, both graduates from Scuola Holden, draw on their own lives to tell a universal story – with a few swear words along the way. This is their first book.



SNOW BLACK



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**ALL SHE REMEMBERS IS HER NAME...
WELL, THE NAME SHE USED WHEN SHE WAS
AN INTERNET DETECTIVE WITH THOUSANDS
OF FOLLOWERS. BECAUSE NOW SHE'S A GHOST.
A GHOST THAT HAUNTS THE INTERNET.**

Snow Black wakes up in a shapeless space, surrounded by endless streams of data. She's alone and has completely lost her memory. Snow works out from the internet that she was once a young detective and internet celebrity. But now she's a ghost. A ghost trapped in the internet. Her only hope is to make contact with the kids she can see out there... and ask them to help her solve the mystery of her.

A book by brilliant cinema and television screenwriter FRANCESCA TASSINI, marking her children's literature debut.

SNOW BLACK HEARTLESS



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THE MOST PROMISING DETECTIVE ON THE WEB
DOESN'T NEED ANY TRICKS UP HER SLEEVE TO
SOLVE MYSTERIES. AND MAYBE SHE DOESN'T EVEN
NEED A BEATING HEART...

What is the feeling of a heart that beats in your chest? Snow Black can't remember anymore, because she is still a ghost stuck in the internet. But now her spirit powers allow her to inhabit something else, beyond the web: other people's bodies. Something that may help Snow uncover the new mystery of Blooming: who is the unscrupulous enemy who is hunting her dearest friends, Ella and Kennedy, and why? The most famous detective of the web begins a new investigation, and in the meanwhile a strange boy who's looking for his sister appears in the small town...

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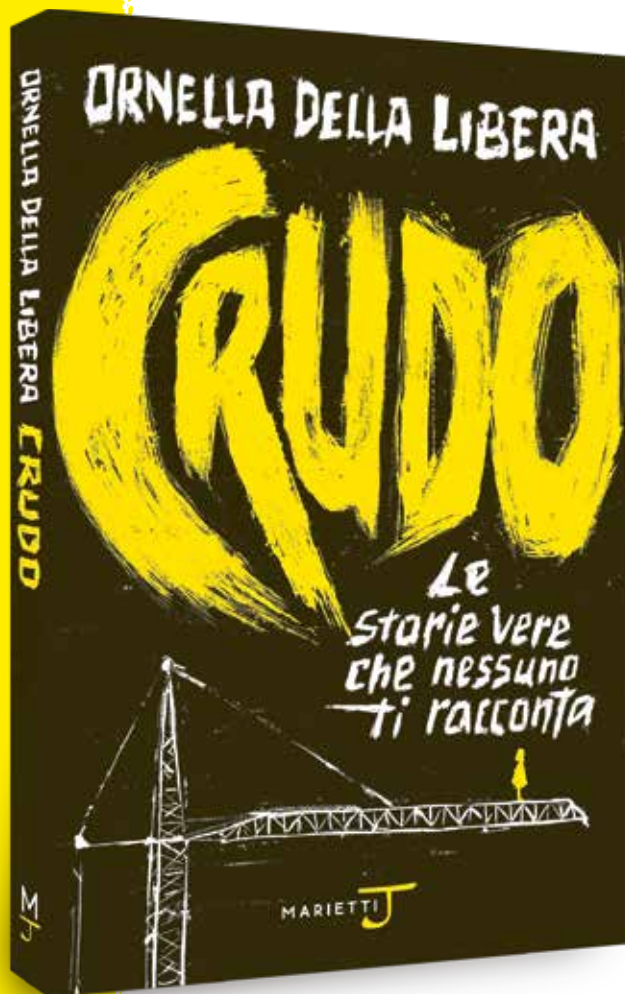
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Ten stories. Ten kids. Ten cases connected to a threat, a danger, a crime. A growing list of stories. Elena, who finds an intimate photo of hers exposed to the world. Fabrizio, trapped in a virtual world of pure violence. Antonio, lured by an unknown adult... The cases come from the author's experience, the Police Inspector, who wants to tell the truth about situations that no one wants to talk about, in order to let young readers recognize danger and find the right tools to face up against it.

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