

Latine Creators

Fiction, Easy Readers, Early Chapter Books
& Graphic Novels

Easy Reader Books

McDonald, Kirsten and Fatima Anaya. *Carlos and Carmen* (Level 2 series).

Medina, Juana. *Elena** (Level 1 series).

Mora, Julissa. *Baking with Mi Abuelita** (Level 2).

Otheguy, Emma. *Reina Ramos** (Level 2 series).

Raúl the Third. *El Toro & Friends* (Level 1 series).

Rose, Susan and Silvia López. *José and El Perro* (Level 2 series).

Salazar, Alicia. *Camila the Star** (Level 2 series).

Early Chapter Books

Burgos, Hilda Eunice. *Bodega Cats: Picture Purrfect* (series). Miguel and his newly adopted street savvy cat Lolo build a loving and supportive friendship.

Heuer, Lourdes. *Esme's Birthday Conga Line* (series). Esme plans her own birthday party with the help of the eclectic neighbors who reside in her building.

Higuera, Donna Barba. *The Unlikely Aventuras of Ramón and El Cucuy*. A young cucuy, assigned to scare a boy named Ramón, struggles to frighten him when Ramón is too preoccupied with worrying about starting a new school, leading to an unexpected friendship between them.

Jennings, Terry Catasús. *Definitely Dominguita: Knight of the Cape* (series). Dominguita loves reading the books in Spanish that Abuela gave her. She's inspired by Don Quixote to become a knight and do good deeds!

Novales, Keka. *Bad Luck Lola* (series). When Lola cracks a mirror, she is not worried at first, but when one unlucky thing after another happens, Lola slowly becomes convinced she is cursed.

Torres, Jennifer. *Catalina Incognita* (series). Eight-year-old Catalina Castañeda uses a sewing kit to turn ordinary clothing into a magical disguise, helping her to uncover a thief at the library.

Fiction

Alessandri, Alexandra. *Grow Up, Luchy Zapata*. When eleven-year-old Luchy's best friend Cami returns from a summer in Colombia and ditches her for the cool kids at school, Luchy is left to figure out who she is and where she belongs.

Araujo, Mia. *Afia in the Land of Wonders*. Afia leaves her beloved twin sister to embark on a journey of self-discovery in a magical land with a beguiling queen and dangers untold.

Arango, Andrea Beatriz. *It's All or Nothing, Vale**. Valencia is coping with chronic pain from an accident. Once a nationally ranked fencer, she now faces a challenging return to the sport. If she can't leave her accident in the past, then what does she have to look forward to?

Behar, Ruth. *Across So Many Seas*. The stories of four girls from different generations of a Jewish family, many of them forced to leave their country and start a new life.

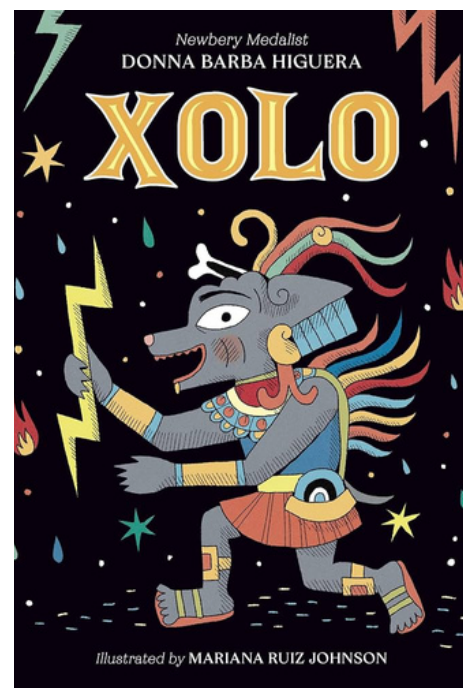
Cartaya, Pablo. *A Hero's Guide to Summer Vacation*. Forced to join his estranged grandfather on road trip to promote his grandfather's popular book series, Gonzalo didn't expect to learn that heroes and monsters are not only the stuff of fantasy!

Cervantes, Angela. *Anomalies 53: Into the Shadows*. Next door to Area 51 sits Area 53, the underground lab where the government secretly holds "the anomalies." These are mythical and magical creatures--fairies, wyverns, manticores, and more--that have been captured and brought in for careful study. It's also where Ollie and Garen, the kids of Area 53's lead researchers, have grown up.

Cuevas, Adrianna. *The No-Brainer's Guide to Decomposition*. Frani must fight to stop the undead from rising in her father's body-farm laboratory—that is, if she can embrace the true nature of her own brain.

Granillo, Ashley Jean. *Cruzita and the Mariacheros*. Cruzita must save her family's failing panadería by winning a mariachi band contest—the only problem is she hates mariachi and cannot speak Spanish.

Higuera, Donna Barba. *Xolo*. Not much is known of Xolotl, the god of lightning, death, and misfortune. A monstrous brother to the mighty feathered serpent god, Quetzalcoatl. This is what really happened.



Lapera, Anna. *Mani Semilla Finds Her Quetzal Voice*. Manuela Semilla wants two things: to get her period, and to thwart her mom's plan of taking her to Guatemala, a place that has always been more of a mystery than an answer. Mani can't imagine leaving behind Las Nerdas, her band of misfit friends, for the summer!

Llanos, Mariana. *Vampirita and the Angry Mob**. Ever since Vampirita left her home in Lima for California, her life has been dull. And, ugh, her neighbors, August and Molly are annoyingly nice. All her mom wants is for them to blend in, but Vampirita would give anything to be back in Peru digging tombs. With help from reluctant friends, she hatches a plan to get her family chased out of town pitchforks-and-torches style!

Mancillas, Mónica. *Sing it Like Celia**. After her mother's sudden departure, twelve-year-old Salva adjusts to her new life in an RV campground with her father, and finds her voice through new friendships and a love for Celia Cruz, the "queen of salsa."

Medina, Meg. *Graciela in the Abyss*. Deep in the ocean, Graciela welcomes newly awakened sea ghosts. Meanwhile, in the mortal world on land, Jorge discovers a harpoon with the power to spear a sea ghost and knows he must destroy it any way he can. When the harpoon is reunited with its vengeful creator, unlikely allies Graciela and Jorge have to work together to keep evil spirits from wreaking havoc on both the living and the dead.

* This title is also available in Spanish in the Kids World Languages section.

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Fiction, cont.

Mejia, Tehlor Kay. *It Happened to Anna*. Seventh-grader Sadie is being literally haunted by loneliness in the form of a vengeful ghost, until a new friendship upends her life and threatens the ghost's hold over her.

Méndez, Yamile Saied. *The Reel Wish**. Eleven-year-old Florencia finds her ballet dreams and some friendships cut short after a panic attack during a performance, but she forges a new path for herself as she comes to terms with her anxiety.

Oshiro, Mark. *Jasmine is Haunted*. Jasmine Garza has a problem: a ghost has been following her for years, ever since her Papi died. But that ghost makes real trouble, so Jasmine and her mami are moving (again) to a new apartment in East Hollywood. This time Jasmine is committed to living a normal life with normal friends.

Otheguy, Emma. *Cousins in the Time of Magic*. Three cousins venture through time to 1862 where they must deliver their aunt's mysterious sword to General Ignacio Zaragoza in time for the Battle of Puebla in Mexico.

Piñero, Victor. *The Island of Forgotten Gods*. Twelve-year-old Nico and his cousins' seemingly boring summer in Puerto Rico takes a horrific turn when they encounter the legendary chupacabra, a cult, and the gods who created the island.

Randall, Julian. *The Chainbreakers*. Thirteen-year-old Violet Moon takes on the role of Reaper captain after her father is captured by the sinister Children of the Shark, forcing her to navigate perilous waters to rescue him and save the world from the ghost-shark threat.

Rodriguez, Oz. *The Girl and the Robot*. Since Papi was deported, Mimi Perez hustles around her Brooklyn neighborhood fixing things to earn money and joins a robotics competition to win a \$50,000 prize. When a robot crashes to earth from space, Mimi brings it home to fix.

Ruiz-Flores, Lupe. *The Pecan Sheller*. In 1930s San Antonio, after her father's death, thirteen-year-old Petra must quit school to work at a pecan shelling factory where dangerous conditions and low wages push her to take a vital stand for change.

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Ryan, Pam Muñoz. *El Niño**. When Kai discovers a library book his missing sister, Cali, had checked out about an underwater realm and a mysterious place called the Library of Despair and Sorrow, details from the story begin to appear in his own life: dolphin pods, imposing rock towers, unusual sea creatures, and even Cali's beloved bracelet. Kai is swept up in a storm of events that will change his understanding of love, death, grief, and how best to honor those we've lost.

Salazar, Aida. *Ultraviolet*. Thirteen-year-old Elio is struggling with "coming of age"—first love, first heartbreak, first real fight (which lands him in the hospital), and what it means to be a "man", a true friend, and an ally, as well as how to overcome a culture of toxic masculinity.

Torres, Jennifer. *Vega's Piece of the Sky*. A meteorite falls into the desert near Vega's family store while her cousin Mila is staying with them, turning the girls' summer upside down and leading to surprising discoveries and friendships.

Valenti, Karla. *Lola*. Determined to save her brother from the Darkness that plagues their home, ten-year-old Lola follows mythical chaneques into a secret world where she seeks help from the queen.

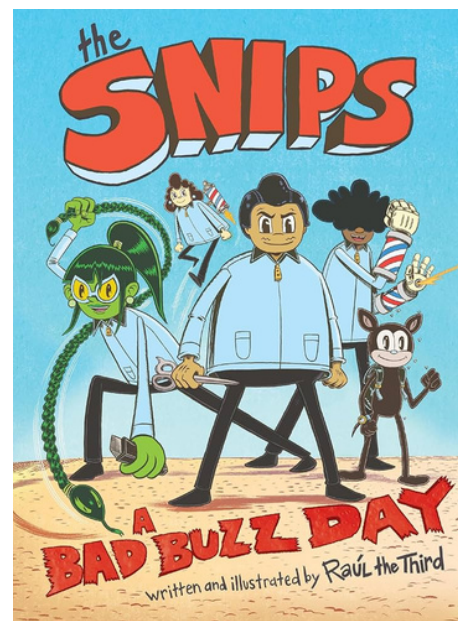
Libros en español

Gómez-Jurado, Juan. *Herederos: el legado de los héroes*. Cuando Mordred, el malvado hijo del Rey Arturo vuelve de entre las sombras para intentar controlar el mundo, el director Lennon reclutará adolescentes que llevan en sus venas la sangre de los grandes héroes del pasado para luchar contra las fuerzas del mal.

Huiliñir Curío, Viviana. *Me llamo Millaray*. Millaray vive en la ciudad y, como todos los veranos, viaja a ver a su familia en una comunidad mapuche de Curarrehue.

Méndez, Yamile Saied. *En estas tierras mágicas*. Minerva esta encargada de sus hermanas después de la desaparición de su madre en una misteriosa historia Argentina de medio grado que combina perfectamente con la historia de Peter Pan.

Santamaría, Jara. *La última bruja*. Ingrid nunca ha terminado de encajar. Sin embargo, está a punto de descubrir que el mundo en el que vive no es el único que existe. Igual que la luz necesita la oscuridad, nuestro mundo está conectado a otro muy similar... Es el lugar donde habita la magia. Y la magia está desapareciendo.



Graphic Novels

Aguirre, Jorge. *Monster Locker*.

Anta, Julio. *Speak Up, Santiago*.

Bermudez, Alyssa. *Big Apple Diaries*.

Bowles, David. *Tales of the Feathered Serpent* (series).

Cartaya, Pablo. *Curveball*.

Castellanos, Alexis. *Isla to Island*.

Dominguez, Angela. *Gabby Torres Gets a Billion Followers*.

Fajardo, Kat. *Miss Quinces**.

Fernandez, Kelly. *¡¡Manu!!*

Garcia, Kami. *Mixed-up*.

Gómez, Ana. *Tekis*. (Libros en español)

Gonzalez, Christina Diaz. *Invisible*.

Liniers. *Night Stories: Folktales from Latin America*.

Mejia, Tehlor Kay. *Are You Afraid of the Dark?* (series).

Mercado, Yehudi. *Chunky* (series).

Miyares, Daniel. *How to Say Goodbye in Cuban*.

Ogle, Rex. *Four Eyes* (series).

Ortega, Claribel A. *Frizzy*.

Ortiz, Amparo. *Saving Chupie*.

Pimienta, Jose. *Twin Cities*.

Raúl the Third. *The Snips: A Bad Buzz Day*.

Siqueira, Ana. *Boitatá the Fire Snake*.