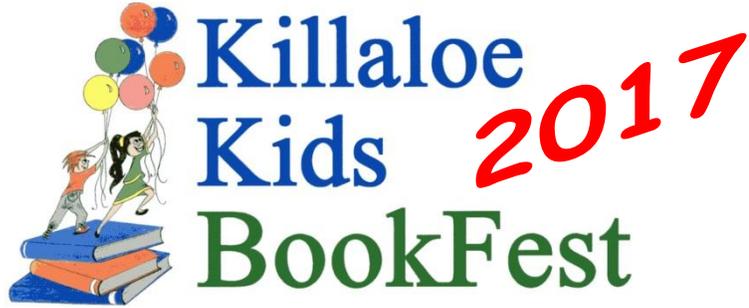
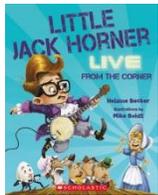


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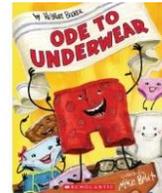
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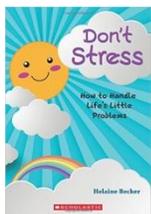


Little Jack Horner Live from the Corner (2012) illustrated by Mike Boldt
When Little Jack Horner steps out of the corner to sing a simple song we thought we knew, we find that the animals are not what and where we expect. Mary Quite Contrary keeps interrupting the song to point out that each specific animal is a nursery rhyme character who no longer lives on the farm. Expect the unexpected as you discover what *really* happened to Old Mac's sheep, pigs, ducks, geese... and dog.

Ode to Underwear (2013) illustrated by Mike Boldt
This picture book is a hilarious romp through a topic not normally discussed in polite society, but is yet one of Helaine Becker's most popular books of poetry for all ages. This is an excellent resource for illustrating basic poetic devices.



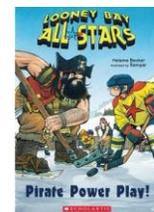
Early Readers



Don't Stress: How to Handle Life's Little Problems (2016)
A playbook for dealing with stress — in a stress-free format! Readers can flip to any page in the book, read about common, everyday scenarios that cause stress, then get advice on techniques to help them manage emotions and make calmer choices. With an accessible and light-hearted tone, this book will help kids learn how to create a happier and more relaxed approach to school, friendships, parents, homework and more!

High Action Easy Reads for Reluctant Readers grade 4 to 6

The Looney Bay All-Stars (series) The All-Stars put sports first, except when confronted by pirates, warring knights, invading Vikings, and other troubled time travellers. Conflicts are settled through sports challenges such as hockey, basketball, track and field, lacrosse, soccer, or baseball.



Dirk Daring Secret Agent (2014)
When Darren's stepbrother finds his top-secret spy journal and exposes it to the entire Preston Middle School student body, Darren's must use the cloak-and-dagger skills he's honed in his secret alternate life as Dirk Daring, Secret Agent to unearth his stepbrother's own secrets. As more and more ugly truths are exposed, new alliances are forged and old friendships broken. Can Darren learn to build real friendships, or will he retreat into his imaginary shadow world?

Dirk Daring – Let Sleeping Dogs Lie (2016)

In this sequel to Dirk Daring, Secret Agent, the Wolf Lords – a gang of teen thugs – are bullying Darren and his fellow Preston students. In response, Darren a.k.a. Dirk Daring is forced to embark on a very audacious, cunning, and crazy mission to repel the Wolf Lords.



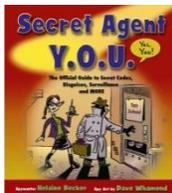
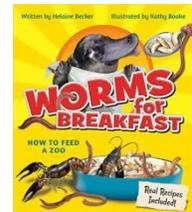
Non-fiction

Five hilarious quiz books packed with fun, jokes and facts:

- **Would You Survive?** (2015) (Be very careful if you follow any of these instructions.)
- **Do you Dare?** (2014) (Are you a daring do or a daring don't?)
- **The Quiz Book for Boys** (2010) (Are you a superhero – or maybe a supervillain?)
- **Top Secret – Uncover Your inner Spy** (2016)
- **The Quiz Book for Spies** (2012) (How well do you know the trade?)

Worms for Breakfast: How to Feed a Zoo (2016)

This book is a cookbook-style primer packed with facts from experts at zoos and aquariums around the world. Covering everything from regular animal nutrition to feeding babies to mimicking how animals hunt and eat in the wild, this book describes the eating habits of carnivores, omnivores, herbivores, and insectivores. Inside, you'll also find real-life recipes from zoos around the world.



Secret Agent Y.O.U. (2006)

This book spells out various special skills of spycraft: observing, decoding, disguising, and reacting. The underlying message: use imagination, keep fit, and stay aware of surroundings to become an improved Y.O.U.

Presentation Possibilities

The 'She's a Nut in a Good Way' Classic (all grades) – includes humorous poetry, dramatic interactive readings, impromptu story development, or on-the-spot science experiments with Q&A and links to curriculum.

The Power of Poetry (junior grades) – uses humorous poetry to build vocabulary, comprehension, fluency, grammar and imagination and to illustrate rhyme, rhythm, synonyms, homonyms, context clues, and more.

Essay Writing: The Clown's Way (junior grades) – uses humour to teach the art of essay writing. Students learn to write jokes, a stand-up comedy routine or a slapstick clown act and then apply the same principles to create an effective essay.

See **Just for Teachers** on her website.