



Glückschuh Books make children happy

About us:

The Glückschuh Verlag is an independent publisher based in Falkensee. Dorothea Flechsig writes and produces books and audio books for young nature lovers. Tackling issues such as wildlife, the environment and society, she lovingly tells stories which are both exciting and thought-provoking. All titles awaken the spirit of adventure, encourage an enquiring mind and sensitise children to issues of environmental protection. These exciting stories are also full of facts and all sorts of interesting information about nature and animals.

Our Content:

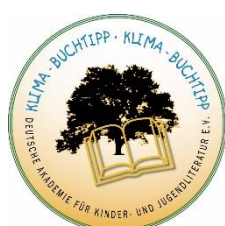
Good fictional entertainment for children with enquiring minds and a love of nature
Successful mixture of entertainment and learning.
Children are gently introduced to issues of nature and the environment
Other topics are family, school, society

Our Prizes:

The Glückschuh Verlag has received numerous awards, including the Lesepeter for "Sandor – Necessity is the Mother of Invention", and the Buchkönig for the Sandor series.
The fourth volume in the series, "Sandor – The Secret Colony", has also been recognised by the UN Decade on Biological Diversity.
Books from the Glückschuh Verlag have appeared in 26 countries.

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OUR CHILDREN'S BOOKS:

A mouse's promise

Dorothea Flechsig

Over 30 coloured illustrations by
Christian Puille

108 pages

Hardcover with ribbon bookmark

Format: 14,8 x 21 cm

€ 12,95 (D)

Reading level: 5+ years

ISBN: 978-3-9430-88-4

Promises should not be broken!

Just published! 2022



Matteo, a young mouse, likes to brag. He wants to be popular but doesn't know how to make friends. He boasts that he is the strongest, bravest and smartest mouse in the world. When Miranda enters his life, he wants to impress her and makes an impossible promise. Will he be able to keep it?

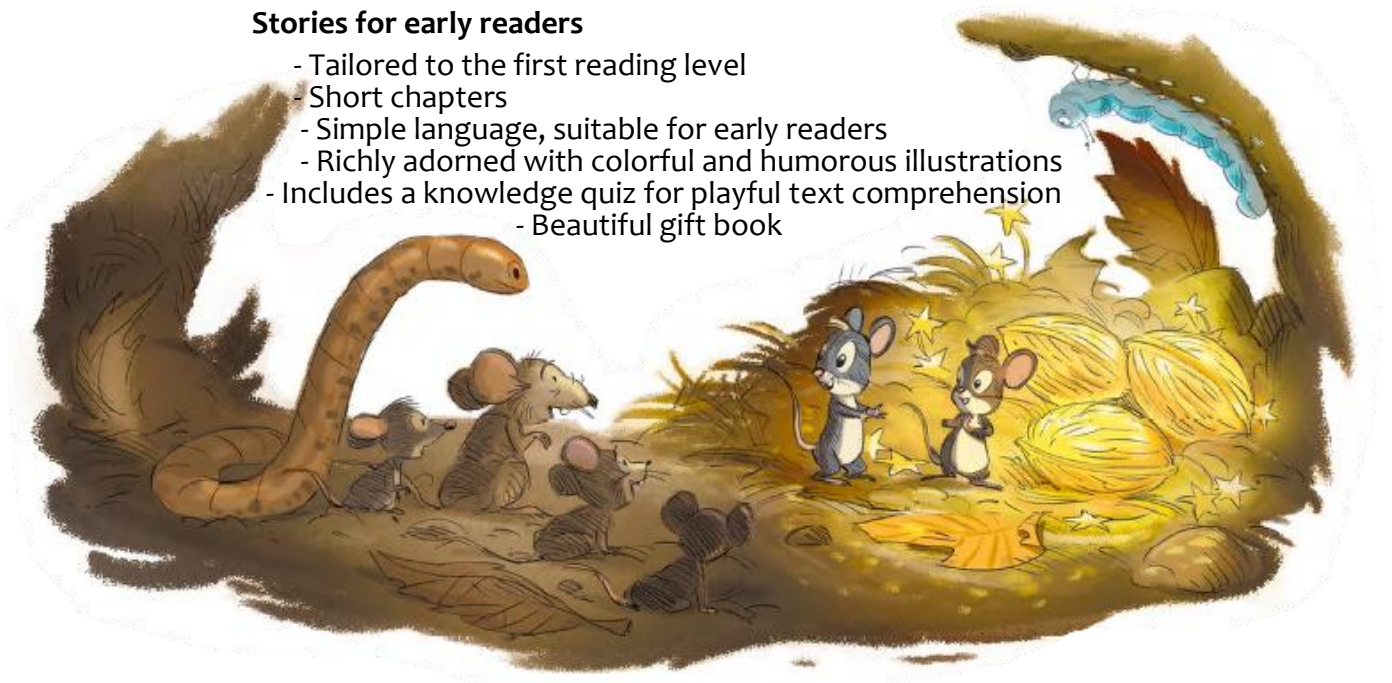
A Christmas story about boasting, giving and keeping promises, love, security and real happiness

Dorothea Flechsig guides her readers through an adventurous world above and below the ground. Many animals dwell together in a compost heap teeming with life.

Matteo the mouse is not particularly diligent. Instead of gathering winter provisions like the other mice, he holds speeches. His boasting does not go down well with the community. When Miranda mouse asks for help, he promises her something incredible: the most beautiful nuts and a golden nest. The others laugh at him but Miranda trusts him from the first moment. Matteo is determined to keep his promise to her and embarks on an adventurous and perilous journey through the garden, leading him to a family house. Whilst the family prepares a Christmas feast, little Matteo is locked in the cellar. Now he has a lot of time to think. He misses the other animals, especially Miranda. He builds a very special mouse nest out of Christmas decorations he discovers in a cardboard box. A child helps him carry it to the compost heap. Miranda is not the only one eagerly awaiting him. His friends have also missed him and their friendship is more precious than gold.

Stories for early readers

- Tailored to the first reading level
- Short chapters
- Simple language, suitable for early readers
- Richly adorned with colorful and humorous illustrations
- Includes a knowledge quiz for playful text comprehension
- Beautiful gift book



Valentina - Finally a schoolkid

Dorothea Flechsig

Over 30 coloured illustrations by Juliane Schlumberger

120 pages, hardcover with

ribbon bookmark

Format: 14,8 x 21 cm

€ 12,95 (D)

Reading level: 6+ years

ISBN: 978-3-943030-89-1

Just published! 2022

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Funny stories for schoolkids!

Valentina is really looking forward to school. She wants to learn as much as her big brother. When she finally enters the first grade, an exciting time begins. Many things go wrong and are different than she had expected. However, one fact is certain: school is there to make new friends and to stick together.



Don't be scared of school! School is fun!

Valentina is a lovely girl who looks forward to school. Kids can identify with her. She wants to do everything right but mishaps occur, which children can relate to and smile about. Starting school with her is exciting and fun. Themes that concern budding first graders are described honestly and humorously. These include conflicts as well as friendships, class rules and the joy of learning.



For advanced early readers

- Continuous story in short chapters
- Simple language, suitable for early readers
- Richly adorned with colourful and amusing illustrations
- Balanced combination of reading instruction and humorous storytelling
- Knowledge quiz for playful text comprehension

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The Immortal Rhinoceros

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

184 pages (14.7 x 21.5 cm)

Novel for young people from 12 years

*What would life be
without mystery, those
things that just can't be
explained, or without
moments of sheer magic.*

Published 2021



Content:

Orphan Florin has grown up in the city, where he lives with a kind old lady called Elvira Schirra. He's never been to school or joined any sports clubs. Nobody knows he exists. He doesn't have a birth certificate or a passport, let alone health insurance, and he doesn't even have a surname. When Elvira disappears unnoticed – just as he himself came into the world unnoticed – twelve-year-old Florin roams the city alone. But this doesn't go unnoticed for long. Finally he escapes to the countryside and is taken in by a real family. He goes to school and starts making friends. But then something incredible happens during an extraordinary meteor shower. Ever since that day, Florin and his friends have been keeping a big secret. It is not until Florin is an old man lying on his deathbed that he tells his extraordinary life story and reveals his secret to an old people's nurse called Mila. He asks her to take care of an ancient rhinoceros. But is his story true? **An exciting novel for young people, with a sprinkling of magic, about the power of deeply held desires, the power of love, and the difficult path to self-discovery.**

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Children's Book: Sandor – The Bat with Brains

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Christian Puille

112 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 30 colour Illustrations

With an afterword about bats.

70.900 Signs, From age 6

40.000 Copies sold

Sandor – Adventures in Transylvania, 2

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Christian Puille

121 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 30 colour Illustrations . With an

afterword about Transylvania

76.800 Signs, From age 6

16.000 Copies sold

Children's Book:

Sandor – Necessity is the Mother of Invention, 3

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

140 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 30 colour illustrations

with an afterword about child psychologists

92.200 Signs, From age 6

9000 Copies sold

Children's Book:

Sandor – The Secret Colony, 4

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

108 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 40 colour illustrations

with an afterword about the effect of environmental pollutant on bats, From age 6

4000 Copies sold

Awards:GRANDIOS, BÜCHER-Magazin;

LesePeter

Licences (all 4 Books) sold:

Spanish Language version, North, Central and

Latin America, Romania, Braille-Version in

Spanish Language

Extras:Title song and recordings in German

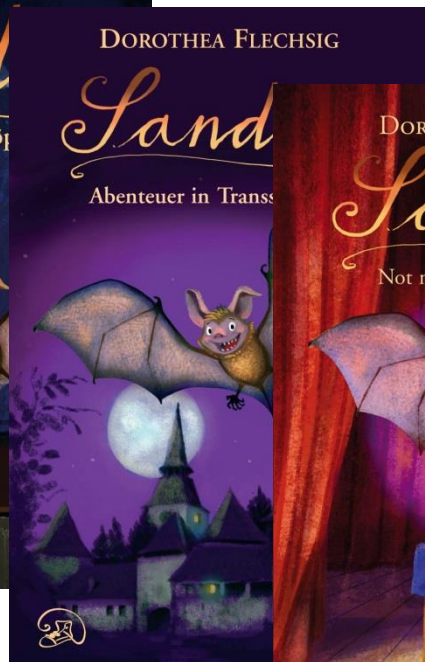
Accompanying workbook for schools



Reviews

“Recommended everywhere” by the **ekz library service**. **** “Highly recommended”** by the **Stiftung Lesen** (reading foundation **** List of the Best in Book Magazine 07/2012** Promotes values such as community, tolerance, friendship and responsibility. **Coburger Tageblatt** ****Who wouldn't like a bat friend like Sandor who can help in tricky situations? Märkische Allgemeine Zeitung**

Brief review: Sandor is a large noctule bat from Transylvania. A talking bat with a crooked left ear. Sandor lives all alone in the furthest corner of the classroom in an old blind box. A boy called Jendrik sits directly below him. He's not good at school and is often made fun of by his classmates. – Sandor makes friends with him. Together they have many adventures.



A story of an unusual friendship, which fires children's desire to read!

Part 1 Sandor is a young bat – to be exact he's a noctule bat. His distinguishing feature is a crooked ear – and what's more he can speak and read! This little mammal lives in a blind box in a classroom, directly above where Jendrik sits, a boy whose bad marks are his trademark. Of course Sandor and Jendrik make friends in the first book **"The Bat with Brains"**.

The pair becomes involved in wild adventures. There are shady characters to unmask and a treasure chest to discover. The clever bat helps shy Jendrik become more confident, as well as helping him to do better at school.

Part 2 No wonder that the bat wants to show his best friend where he comes from. In the second book, **"Adventure in Transylvania."** Jendrik uses his finder's reward from the treasure to go on holiday with Sandor. In Romania they follow a thief. They go through church fortresses, secret passages and dark forests. On their manhunt, the boy and the bat make a strong team, even when their adventurous chase takes a surprising turn at the end.

Part 3 Back in Germany, the excitement continues in the third book **"Necessity is the Mother of Invention"**. There's a new teacher at school, and Jendrik's parents face him with a difficult choice. Luckily Jendrik has his faithful friend Sandor, the clever bat, who helps him make a good decision and who knows that sometimes even grown-ups need a little help with life's big important decisions.

Part 4 "The Secret Colony" Jendrik has got to do something! His best friend, Sandor the bat, is in danger. There are hardly any insects left. Sandor and the other bats are struggling to find enough to eat. Jendrik decides to investigate, and soon makes an unsettling discovery. There is only one way to protect Sandor – and it's going to be risky. Together with the talking bat Sandor and a host of other animals, Jendrik and his friends raise the alarm. But will they be able to convince the grown-ups?



Children's Book:

Petronella Fortune

Stories about animals

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Christian Puille

112 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

over 40 colour illustrations

With an afterword about garden animals

67.500 Signs

From age 5

10.500 Copies sold

Children's Book:

Petronella Fortune

Stories about nature

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

112 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 40 colour illustrations

With an afterword about bees

68.700 Signs

From age 5

9.500 Copies sold

Children's Book:

Petronella Fortune

Stories of Animal Friendships

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

112 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

with over 40 colour illustrations

With an afterword about racoons

68.500 Signs

From age 5

5.500 Copies sold

Licences (Part 1 and 2) sold:

Estonia, Spanish version: North, Central and Latin America, Turkey

Extras:

Title song and recordings in German

Awards:

A children's atlas of Germany with Petronella won several prizes in 2014. EMYS, UN-Dekade Biologische Vielfalt, Klima-Buchtip Akademie für Kinder-und Jugendliteratur

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Brief Summary:

Petronella is about your age! With a red bucket fastened to the carrier of her bike, she explores the area close to her village, always on the look-out for animals she doesn't know yet. Then she loves to take them home to study them – even though her father groans and says: “Not another animal!” Her investigations and the results of her research are always suitable for children and giving them an appetite to go out and take a closer look at nature and the environment for themselves.

When Petronella grows up, she wants to be study animals, so much is certain. She'll travel to the Antarctic and cross deserts. With her binoculars in her hand, she'll slither as silently as a snake over the dusty ground of the prairie and discover the most incredible animal stories that the world has ever heard. But until she can set off on her distant travels alone, she remains living in a small village. Here she knows everyone, and everyone knows her. That's not so unusual because Petronella gets about all over the place, every day. And if anybody is going to discover something unusual, then it's Petronella Fortune!

In the **second volume**, Petronella ventures once more into nature and makes the most astonishing discoveries. She rescues a queen bee, catches a mole, takes in chickens for the winter, and treats her granny with leeches. Petronella feeds a jay and finds out how long her parents find the chirping of crickets romantic. Her dog Cuddles and her friend Claudia also take part in the stories once more.

In the **third volume**, Petronella enjoys more adventures with animals. But Petronella's heroic deeds land her again in difficult situations. ...





Children's Book:

Kahlbutz the Knight - A Visitor from the Past

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

30 Illustrations by Jörg Kreutziger

176 pages (12,5 x 19,5 cm)

67.500 Signs

From age 8

Licenses: No licences appointed

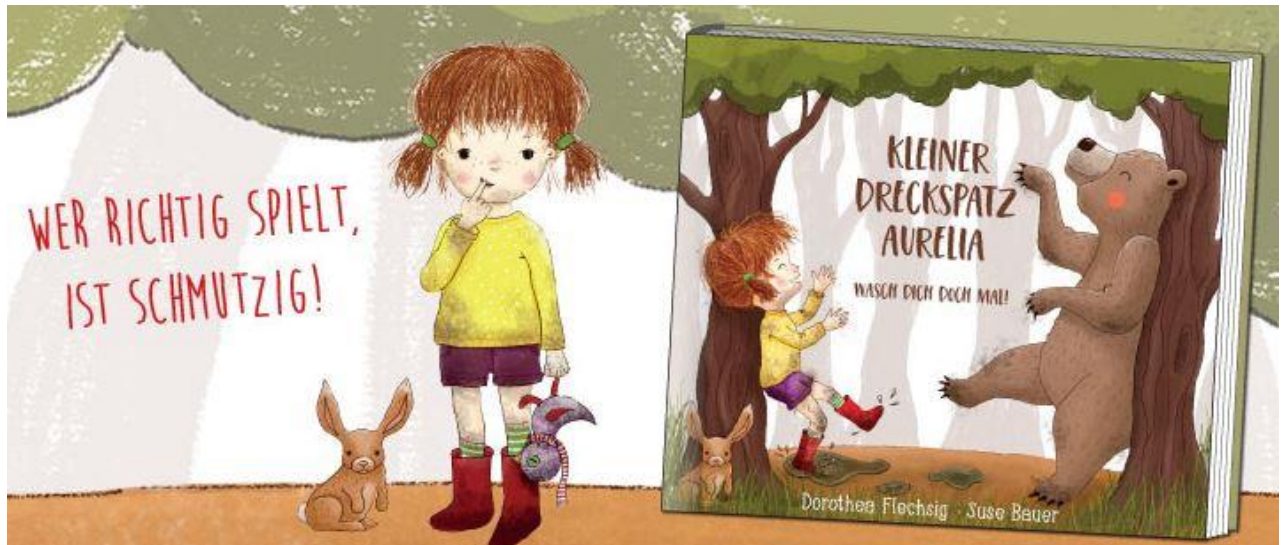
The world will always need humanity! The world will always need a real knight!

Brief Summary:

For decades, the mummy of the knight Christian Friedrich von Kahlbutz has attracted many tourists to the village of Kampehl. After discovering old, hitherto unknown documents about Kahlbutz the Knight, the author has finally been able to put his whole story down in writing. - Strange stories unfold. No rational person would believe what actually happened in the little village of Kampehl, were it not for the fact that the children experienced these things and saw them with their own eyes. Kahlbutz the Knight, who committed a terrible crime over 300 years ago, suddenly comes back to life!



OUR PICTURE BOOKS:



Picture Book:

AURELIA THE MUCKY PUP YOU REALLY NEED TO HAVE A WASH!

Language: German
Author: Dorothea Flechsig
Illustrations by Suse Bauer
Hardcover-Picture book, 38 pages (19,5 x 25,5)
1400 Signs
From age 3

Licenses: No licences appointed

Extras: Wide range of cuddly toys possible



Brief summary

You can't play properly without getting dirty! "Oh Aurelia, you really need to have a wash. Even the muckiest pup cleans itself!" grumbles Aurelia's dad. "But how does a puppy wash?" asks Aurelia. And how does a fat elephant keep clean? What about a sweet cat, or a big brown bear? Aurelia decides to investigate and tries out all the different ways animals keep clean.



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AURELIA THE LITTLE NIGHT OWL WILL YOU PLEASE GO TO SLEEP!

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flehsig

Illustrations by Suse Bauer

Hardcover-Picture book, 44 pages

(19,5 x 25,5)

1400 Signs

From age 3



Licenses: No licences appointed

Extras: Wide range of cuddly toys possible

Brief summary

It's fun to play and run around! Aurelia does not want to go to bed. "Dear Aurelia, everyone needs to sleep from time to time. Even night owls need their sleep!" says Aurelia's daddy. "But how does a night owl sleep?" asks Aurelia. And how does a bat sleep? How about a swift, or a prickly hedgehog? Aurelia tries it all out for herself, but starts to feel very sleepy!



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AURELIA, THE CLINGY LITTLE MONKEY WILL YOU PLEASE WALK BY YOURSELF!

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Illustrations by Katrin Inzinger

Hardcover-book, 44 pages (19,5 x 25,5)

1400 Signs

From age 3

Licenses: No licences appointed

Extras: Wide range of cuddly toys possible

Brief summary

Aurelia is tired of walking. She has walked such a long way. Wouldn't it be lovely to be carried by Daddy? She clings onto her father. "Dear Aurelia, even a clingy little monkey can walk all by itself!" says Aurelia's father. "But how does a little monkey walk?" asks Aurelia. And what about a toad, or a caterpillar, or a penguin? Aurelia tries it all out for herself.

Children learn through movement, a productive experience which helps them to feel strong and brave. With Aurelia, children have fun whilst learning all about the movements of different animals. This is the third interactive picture book for little animal lovers.



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Dotty the chick

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Photos: Juliane Teuteberg

Hardcover-Picture Book, 42 pages (21,5 x 19,0 cm)

5300 signs.

From age 3

12.000 Copies sold

Licenses sold: Chinese language in China

Extras: Wide range of merchandise possible from cuddly toys to egg cups. Sequel „It's Dotty's Birthday“ available!

Brief Summary

Dotty the chick lives with his best friend, a little boy called Hugo. They pair are inseparable. But one day, full of curiosity, Dotty goes out into the big wide world. He has many questions. Can the other animals help Dotty? – A lovingly told and photographed story about deep friendship, about going away and coming home again, which will touch children and adults alike. Suitable for reading aloud, or for early readers. With many pictures of young animals you'd love to cuddle.

Review: “The photo picture books are back! And it's not only parents who loved *My Donkey Benjamin* as children, who will enjoy this little animal adventure. With beautiful photos in glowing colours, this is a successful combination of factual information and a story with an especially lovable little storyteller.” **Stiftung Lesen**

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It's Dotty's Birthday (Part II of the Dotty-Series)

Language: German

Author: Dorothea Flechsig

Photographs: Juliane Teuteberg

Hardcover picture book, 32 pages (21.5 x 19.0 cm)

From 3 years

Licences: No licences appointed

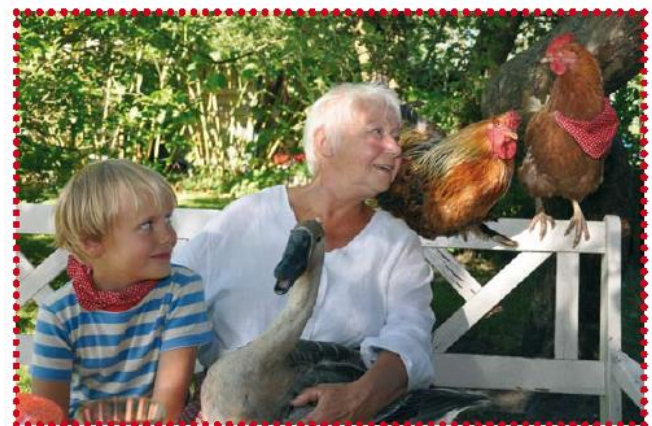
Extras:

Wide range of merchandise possible. From soft toys to egg cups.

Short summary:

Dotty the Hen and little Hugo are best friends. They want to have a birthday party together with Hugo's grandma! On the way they meet several animals who want to come along too. After all, maybe it's their birthday too? Hugo's grandma hasn't had so many guests in a long time. But will one cake be enough for everybody?

This is the sequel to the first photographic picture book "Dotty the Chick". Dotty the Hen is celebrating her birthday, and all the animals want to join the party.



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Language: German
 Author: Dorothea Flechsig
 Illustrations by Alaa El-Bundegji
 Hardcover-Picture book, 28 pages (19,5 x 25,5 cm)
 8200 Signs
 From age 3
2.000 Copies sold in Germany

Licenses: No licences appointed

Extras: title song and recordings in German, English and French available

Brief summary:

Chacha-Casha, the little chameleon is scared and always makes sure that nobody can see him. This is why the other chameleons view him as a coward. But when his friends are in danger, Chacha-Casha uses his talent and becomes the hero of the whole garden.



The story about the friendship between the shy chameleon and a little boy is didactically thought out to guide children to recognise their own strengths. The hardcover edition is lovingly illustrated in colour. On each page there are special details to discover.

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