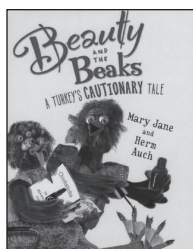


Collaboration is vital in literature. Books are by nature a collaborative effort—authors, illustrators, editors, publishers, and bookstores have to work collaboratively to get their masterpieces into the hands of readers. But, perhaps one of the best examples of collaboration in literature involves the writers and illustrators of picture books. Even the reader becomes part of the collaborative process of picture books!

Here are some of the most intriguing new picture books we heartily recommend.



Beauty and the Beaks

Written and Illustrated by Mary Jane and Herm Auch
2007
9780823419906

Sample Curriculum Links:

Primary and Junior Language Arts: Reading and Media Literacy
Intermediate Arts: Visual Arts

Summary:

In this delightful tale, Beauty,

a pretentious chicken, owns a beauty shop where “chicks” can get the full beauty treatment: hairstyling, pedicures, and manicures. One day a newcomer named Lance makes his way into the beauty shop. Lance, a gorgeous, plump turkey, boasts that he’s been invited to a special feast. All the other chicks in town discover they haven’t been invited, and feel jilted.

Beauty sets out to discover why only Lance has been invited—and learns Lance IS the feast! Beauty uses her beauty shop skills to give Lance an “eggstreme” makeover so that he does not “eggspire.” Using light humour and a wonderful play on words, this book will be a hit with all ages.

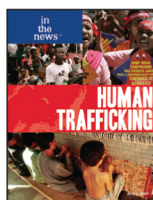
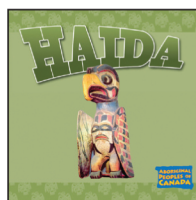
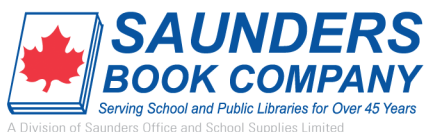


Help Me, Mr. Mutt!

Janet Stevens
Illustrated by Susan Stevens Crummel
2008
9780152046286

Sample Curriculum Links:

Primary Language Arts: Writing and Media Literacy
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