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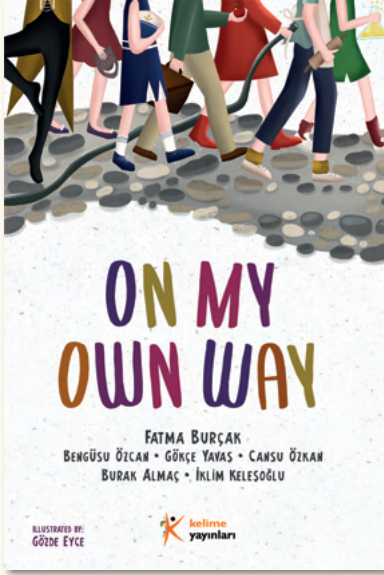
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Founded in 2006, Kelime Yayınları is a publishing house dedicated to children's books and young adult fiction. With over 200 titles published to date, we offer quality literature from distinguished Turkish authors alongside meticulously selected works from world literature. Our goal is to create an intercultural space through literature. To achieve this, we invest time and energy in literary works from diverse cultures, aiming to develop a catalog that fosters dialogue and cultural exchange. Having published books from the USA, the UK, Germany, Norway, France and Italy, we aspire to continue this mission by including well-crafted literature from around the globe.





# On My Own Way

Fatma Burçak, Bengüsu Özcan,  
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Illustrator: Gözde Eyce

Date of Publication: August 2019

Target Age: 9+

Genre: Story

Pages: 104

Format: 13 x 20 cm

ISBN: 978-605-4969-55-5

A little courage and will is more than enough to follow your own dreams!

These are seven different kids and their stories who take their dreams as their compass and walk on their own way at full speed against stereotypes in career choices, prejudices, gender discrimination and everyone.

All the stories in this book are for you. They are here for you to say whatever you want to say and show the courage to realize them when they ask you: "What will you do when you grow up?"





# Watchers of Time

Fatma Burçak

Cover Illustrator by: Nazlı Şahin

Date of Publication: October 2023

Target Age: 9+

Genre: Novel

Pages: 144

Format: 13 x 20 cm

ISBN: 978-605-4969-72-2

Ezo, Nes, Teo and Zer, who wish the same thing without knowing about the others also doing the same, are taken to the Time Garden by the wise goat Rapus, the watcher of the past and curious Temora, the watcher of the future.

Can these four kids who do not understand what is happening stop the hour hand and the minute hand?

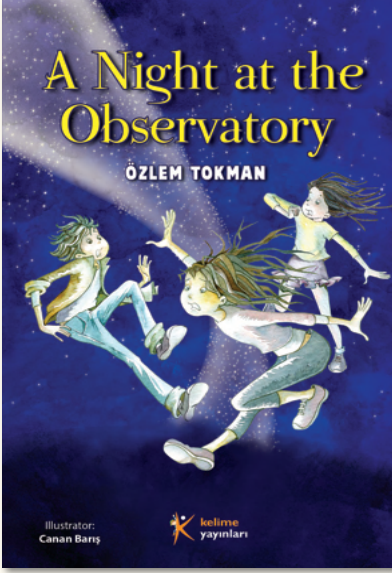
The Watchers of Time is a real page-turner on the idea of time that tells about the world we live in from children's perspective.

Fatma Burçak, with this novel, takes her readers on an extraordinary journey.



## Fatma Burçak

She had always wanted to become an archaeologist but graduated from the faculty of management in Istanbul University. She wrote her first stories of her life with his brother and one day, started to tell them to her son. Her first children's novel Journey to Akata was published in 2014 and another children's book named On My Own Way, a project book, whose coordinator was her and which she supported with a story, was published in 2019. Her stories, review articles and interviews that she held with authors have been published in various art and culture magazines and story selections. She has made literature compilations for the youth. She prepared a story selection named To the Loyal Friends for publication in 2017. Her story book, Birds That Come to the Terrace, was published in 2021.



# The Mystery of the Book – A Night at the Observatory

Özlem Tokman

Illustrator: Canan Barış

Date of Publication: November 2012

Target Age: 9+

Genre: Novel, black and white

Pages: 144

Format: 13 x 20 cm

ISBN: 978-605-4435-66-1

Elif's life is irrevocably changed on the night of her thirteenth birthday when an extraordinary comet appears in the sky and a mysterious book emerges from the void. In this transformation, the 16th-century Ottoman mathematician Takiyüddin Rasid plays a crucial role with his prophecies and his very existence, which has spanned across centuries. Now, Elif, together with her close friends Sezen, Firat, Figen Hoca, and Mehmet Hoca, must make a choice. This decision will determine their place in the eternal and unending battle between good and evil. Meanwhile, the dark forces pursuing Elif and the mysterious book have already set their plans in motion.

A thrilling fantasy novel about the eternal struggle between good and evil, light and darkness, the present and the future of the world, and humanity versus technology, all told with beautiful and fluid prose.



# The Dream Thief Mr. Crackpot and the Kingdom of Dark Clouds

Özlem Tokman

Cover Illustrator by: Ayşın Delibaş Eroğlu

Date of Publication: November 2011

Target Age: 9+

Genre: Novel, black and white

Pages: 80

Format: 13 x 20 cm

ISBN: 978-605-4435-48-7

"I think we need to help Anabel and Esteban, Ece. A voice inside me, formed by the stories that fill my head every night and keep me awake, tells me that this event is definitely connected. Otherwise, why would such a huge window open, not in other children's rooms, but in ours? We need to go beyond this window! Do you have the courage to come with me, Ece?"

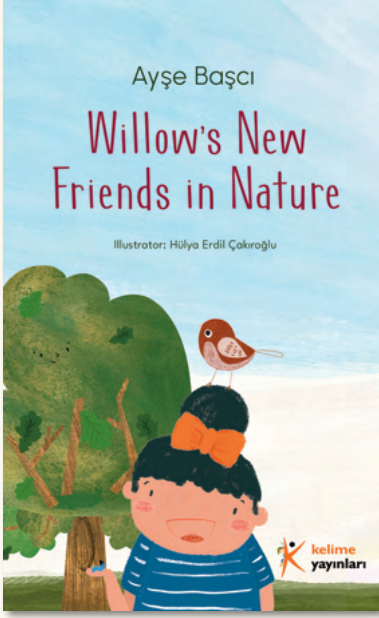
Eren and Ece stepped through the window, and a dreamlike adventure began. In this journey, Ece, Eren, Anabel, Esteban, and Fairy Gossamer set out in pursuit of the sinister-hearted Mr. Crackpot, who was stealing children's dreams and had kidnapped their elders, including Estelle! But the Dream Thief, Mr. Crackpot, was waiting for them in the Kingdom of Dark Clouds!

A story woven with themes of dreams, friendship, siblinghood, and kindness, filled with excitement and a fairy-tale-like beauty...



## Özlem Tokman

Özlem Tokman was born in Ankara in 1978. After finishing her Master's degree in the UK, she joined the diplomatic service. Spending several years in the Far East and Southeast Asian countries, has been the prime source of inspiration for her to write children's books imbued with her reflections on different cultures. During her years in China, Singapore, Malaysia, and South Korea, she not only wrote children's books but also received training in yoga, Indian philosophy, and Ayurveda. Özlem Tokman, who continues to study and provide training in these fields, currently lives in China with her husband and daughter.



# Willow's New Friends In Nature

Ayşe Başcı

Illustrator: Hülya Erdil Çakıroğlu

Date of Publication: March 2023

Target Age: 6+

Genre: Story

Pages: 48

Format: 12 x 19,5 cm

ISBN: 978-605-4969-61-6

Little Willow has always loved trees, birds, flowers, cats, and dogs.

But how about worms, rocks, moss, soil? We should love and protect them as well, right? Of course, we should, but Willow doesn't know that yet.

She has a lot to learn from her new friends: Chirpy, Smiley, Slush, Plush, Merry Oak, Aunt Moss...

Willow explores the true value of nature with these new friends. Are you ready to join her?



## Ayşe Başcı

As an author, translator, and editor, Ayşe is devoted to writing and reading, with a special focus on classical literature and children's books. In addition to her BA degree in Translation Studies, she is currently pursuing an MA in Sociology, mostly to reach a better understanding of people and the world. Cherishing her strong bond with words, she continues to write for children and adults.



# The Giant Hat

Süleyman Bulut

Illustrator: Özlem Açar

Date of Publication: January 2024

Target Age: 5+

Genre: Picture Book

Pages: 40

Format: 25 x 25 cm

ISBN: 978-625-6741-26-3

One day, the Lion King takes a walk in the forest... But wait! What is that? The horns of the deer that he sees from afar are bigger than his crown. Thereupon, he directly makes a rule: Every animal in the forest has to wear a hat from now on. The animals do their best to follow the rule. What happens afterwards?

Afterwards three hats fall from the sky...

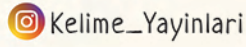


## Süleyman Bulut

He was born in Konya in 1954. He graduated from the school of economics in Istanbul University. While studying there, he realized that he loved letters more than he loved numbers and started writing. His initial works, radio plays, were broadcast in Radio Istanbul. He has been writing for children for many years. He has published more than fifty books.



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