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Netgalley and Good Reads pushes
Heavy preview promo and reveals through IG, FB and Twitter
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World-renowned artist Lewis Trondheim's wordless classic THE FLY is available for the first time in the US!

One of the world’s greatest cartoonists, Lewis Trondheim, tells the exciting life story of a common housefly. From the fly’s birth to his inevitable end, we see everything this creature goes through simply to survive... from the fly’s perspective. We guarantee you’ve never looked at your kitchen the way the fly does. While there’s plenty of humor, there’s thrills and chills as well, especially when the fly meets a spider. You may never have liked flies before, but once you meet this little guy, you may be surprised how much you can like a fly.

Lewis Trondheim, is a French cartoonist and one of the founders of the independent publisher L'Association. Both his silent comic La Mouche and Kaput and Zösky have been made into animated cartoons.
MARKETING

Strong push on social media

Preview and promo on NetGalley, GoodReads, and our thousands of blogger, librarian, and professional contacts.

Major Digital ARC and advance copy drop to accounts and press
When the power goes out the Loud family tells tall tales to pass the time!

When the lights go out at the Loud House during a storm, it is up to the kids to keep themselves entertained. Join Lincoln Loud and his sisters Lily, Lisa, Lola, Lucy, Lynn, Luan, Luna, Leni and Lori as they tell tales to astonish (OMGosh!), tales from the crypt (or the creepy basement), tales of the city (family friends Bobby and Ronnie Anne’s city, that is), and finally, bedtime tales. Featuring all-new stories from The Loud House creative team!

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MARKETING
Promote on Nickelodeon's Loud House Social Media
Cross promotion with other NICKELODEON licensees
Extensive on-going social media push including support from the massive Nick platforms.
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Surf and sun await the Loud family in this summer special!

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Something wicked this way comes for Lola and her super friends!

Join Lola and her quirky and hilarious super club of crocodiles, sharks, dinosaurs (in undies), skeletons, and her cat Hot Dog, for a death-defying adventure to... her elementary school. When Lola's teacher is out sick due to a "small accident," a miserable substitute takes over her history class. Weird things start happening like resident Friendly Falls middle-aged villain, Max Imum, joining the class and calling the sub “Mommy,” students disappearing, and the class adding real monsters to the curriculum. Today's lesson is simple... survive until the bell.

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See what Annie and Nico can dig up on the history of oil!

Join Annie and Nico as they travel through time and discover the history and importance of “black gold,” the non-renewable natural resource known as oil. Witness the rise of oil throughout history from its unique uses in ancient times to the hunt to dig up more oil as it was discovered underground in 1859. All packaged in a pocket hardcover with easily accessible facts, figures, and trivia retelling the magical history of oil from a kids perspective.

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Geronimo has to make sure he doesn't sleep on the job when dealing with his next case!

Geronimo Stilton, crusading news reporter and editor of *The Rodent's Gazette*, has been working too much and is in desperate need of a break. He is getting sleepy, very sleepy, but he can't actually fall asleep. Geronimo’s cousin Trap tells him about a specialist, the Great Ratswami, who hypnotizes mice to help them relax. Shortly after Geronimo’s meeting with the hypnotist, New Mouse City is plagued by a crime wave and Geronimo seems even more tired than ever!

Something weird is going in New Mouse City, and the totally shocking answer will become front-page news!

Born in New Mouse City, Mouse Island, **GERONIMO STILTON** is Rattus Emeritus of Mousomorphic Literature and of Neo-Ratonic Comparative Philosophy. He is the director of *The Rodent's Gazette*, New Mouse City's most widely read daily newspaper. Stilton was awarded the Ratitzer Prize for his scoops on *The Curse of the Cheese Pyramid* and *The Search for Sunken Treasure*. One of his bestsellers won the 2002 eBook Award for world's best-selling electronic book. In 2006 he won a Nickelodeon Kids Choice Award and in 2008 he won the Cartoomics prize "Beyond Comics." His works have been published all over the globe. In his spare time, Mr. Stilton collects antique cheese rinds.
Annie and Nico embark on a journey to learn about The Crusades!

Modern day kids Annie and Nico go on a magical history tour back to the Middle Ages to find out what started the Crusades—and why there were so many of them. They travel to Jerusalem (where it all started) and they meet kings and popes and emperors and sultans... including Richard the Lionheart and his famous adversary Saladin. Along the way, Nico discovers that the Crusades weren't just about religion and the Holy Wars weren't just between Christians and Muslims. Experience the ins and outs of this confusing time with Annie and Nico as the helpful guides in this pocket-sized book.

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The Geeky Fab Five hit the road in an adventure of a lifetime. Packed into the camper of Lucy and Marina’s grandfather, the girls’ first stop is the Grand Canyon. Once at the national park, Lucy investigates erosion and rock formations; A.J. discovers a construction site on the canyon with a goal of preservation; Sofia is inspired by the beautiful jewelry of the local tribes; Marina watches the stars while Zara keeps watch for wild animals (not counting their snarky mascot Hubble the cat). There’s plenty of fun and discoveries in the great outdoors!

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