

The life of a petit-beurre

# Mister Cookie Writes a Book

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'Mister Cookie Writes a Book' is a series of small read-aloud books in the shape of a petit-beurre biscuit. The series is kicked off by a larger picture book. Mister Cookie is celebrating his 100th birthday, and is writing a book chronicling all of his adventures. His friends try to get rid of certain pages of the book, but that is not as easy as it sounds.

**Moving and cheerful at the same time, this story is told with sparkling wit.**

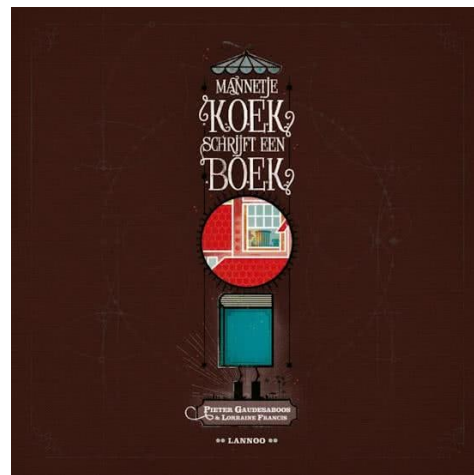
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Subsequent titles in the series read like a relay race and introduce new central characters. In 'The Bubblegum Ball Bubble', Chocolate wants to break a world record. In 'Martha' the friends of an elderly mushroom reminisce over their dead friend. In 'Old Grandpa Waterman' Grandpa looks for a job, but it's hard for someone as old as he is to find one. 'Eight Slices of Banana Take a World Trip' is a story about the pleasures of travel, and of staying at home.

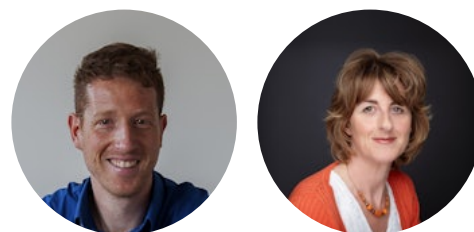
**Truly funny books are rare. A real gem!**

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The text and visual humour are tailor-made for children of four years and up. The most charming aspects of this colourful series lie in the details; of the countless visual jokes, some are no bigger than a square centimetre. Anyone with the patience to look for them all will be kept happy for hours by this series.



## AUTHORS



Pieter Gaudesaboos (b. 1979) is an illustrator, designer and author. His work is playful and original, with absurd and nostalgic touches. Gaudesaboos integrates text and images to create a whole, which is often packed with humour. He works with digital techniques, and yet his work still has a nostalgic atmosphere, because of his love of old picture books and toys from the 1950s and 60s. His books are a little like the stories that children make up when they're playing. Brilliant child's play – that's how his imaginative work could be described. *Photo © Eveliëne Deraedt* **Lorraine Francis** (b. 1958), Irish author, writes stories for picture books and works as a librarian at the children's book department of an Irish library. She also organizes readings and workshops. In 2009 she started collaborating with award-winning illustrator Pieter Gaudesaboos.

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