

## Go For It Nakamura

An illustrated tour of the Western United States and its unique characteristics.

All aboard! Buddy the T. rex goes on a river cruise with his family in this Ready-to-Go! Ready-to-Read based on Jim Henson's Dinosaur Train! Perfect for kids at the beginning of their reading journeys, Dinosaur Family Trip was written for children who have learned the alphabet and are ready to start reading! And what better way to get kids excited than with a fun story with words they can actually read and starring their favorite dinosaurs? Each Ready-to-Go! Ready-to-Read includes a note to parents explaining what their child can expect, a guide at the beginning for readers to become familiar with the words they will encounter in the story, and reading comprehension questions at the end. Each Ready-to-Go! story contains about 100 words and features sight words, rhyming words, and repetition to help children reinforce their new reading skills. In this book, readers will learn twenty-four sight words and six words from three word families. So come on and get reading with Buddy the T. rex! © 2019 The Jim Henson Company. JIM HENSON'S mark & logo, DINOSAUR TRAIN mark & logo, characters and elements are trademarks of The Jim Henson Company. All Rights Reserved.

Political Games uses bold visuals and cases from contemporary politics to present forty-nine of the most compelling insights from game theory, illuminating the common logics underlying political problems. Each game is depicted graphically and accompanied by a concise explanation and technical notes. Collectively, these games reveal profound connections between seemingly disparate social situations, from figuring out when to send troops to the battlefield to strategizing on how to protect the environment.

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The Peanuts gang helps Sally celebrate getting her first library card in this Level 2 Ready-to-Read! Sally is so excited—she is going to the library to get her very first library card. And of course her brother Charlie Brown and Sweet Babboo Linus are there with her to celebrate this big day! © 2020 Peanuts Worldwide LLC

Miraculous Stories from the Japanese Buddhist Tradition

Total Eclipse of the Eternal Heart

Last Winter We Parted

Signing and the Politics of Identity

PJ Masks Save Lunar New Year!

***Nakamura Taisaburo's landmark book on the art of the sword includes technical information, thoughtful analysis, and fascinating recollections of his own training and teaching. One of the most famous Japanese swordsmen of the twentieth century, Nakamura sensei is widely acknowledged as the preeminent reinvigorator of the practice of tameshigiri (test cutting) as a test of technical and spiritual mastery. The Spirit of the Sword--first published in Japanese in 1980, now translated into English for the first time--is regarded by many as the most complete of Nakamura's writings on Japanese swordsmanship. Here Nakamura instructs the reader on the integration of iaido, kendo, and tameshigiri; the correct mental approach to sword practice; training methods; numerous kata or forms; a guide to sword maintenance; and historical notes on the use of the sword as a weapon. Illustrated with over 800 original photographs, this book is a must-have for any student of the Japanese sword and an***

*excellent resource for sword enthusiasts in general.*

*Instantly reminiscent of the work of Osamu Dazai and Patricia Highsmith, Fuminori Nakamura's latest novel is a dark and twisting house of mirrors that philosophically explores the violence of aesthetics and the horrors of identity. A young writer arrives at a prison to interview a convict. The writer has been commissioned to write a full account of the case, from the bizarre and grisly details of the crime to the nature of the man behind it. The suspect, a world-renowned photographer named Kiharazaka, has a deeply unsettling portfolio—lurking beneath the surface of each photograph is an acutely obsessive fascination with his subject. He stands accused of murdering two women—both burned alive—and will likely face the death penalty. But something isn't quite right. As the young writer probes further, his doubts about this man as a killer intensify, and he struggles to maintain his sense of reason and justice. Is Kiharazaka truly guilty, or will he die to protect someone else? Evoking Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood* and Ryūnosuke Akutagawa's "Hell Screen," *Last Winter, We Parted* is a twisted tale that asks a deceptively sinister question: Is it possible to truly capture the essence of another human being? From the Hardcover edition.*

*This Open Access auto-translation book demonstrates a time series of nutrition improvement in Japan since the introduction of nutrition sciences to Japan about 150 years ago. The chapters present the historical event where nutritional deficiency due to food shortage was improved in almost a century, by the introduction of nutrition policy and practices such as the "Nutrition Improvement Law". The book contributed to the construction of a longevity nation by resolving the double burden of malnutrition, which is a mixture of undernutrition and overnutrition and creating a social environment in which sustainable healthy diets can be accessed. This publication is designed mainly for nutrition specialists, nutritionists, nutrition administrators, medical doctors, pharmacists, nurses, physiotherapists, nutrition educators, cooks, nutrition volunteers, health and nutrition food developers, school lunch managers, and etc. Furthermore, students studying nutrition, teachers involved in the education and training of dietitians, and general consumers who are interested in nutrition, diets, and how to improve malnutrition, will find this book useful. Through this book, dietitians, nutrition volunteers, and consumers engaged in nutrition improvement can understand the significance of nutrition improvement and know specific methods. Young nutritionists who will study and research nutrition can learn the importance of nutrition and take pride in nutrition research. The government official who implements nutrition policy can know the concrete method of nutrition policy. Today, people around the world understand the importance of nutrition and are gaining international interest. However, malnutrition has not improved as much as expected. This book is an interesting way for everyone involved in nutrition to learn how to eradicate malnutrition from the world. The translation was done with the help of artificial intelligence (machine translation by the service DeepL.com). The*

***present version has been revised technically and linguistically by the author in collaboration with Professor Emeritus Dr. Andrew R. Durkin of Indiana University.***

***All aboard! This book is your ticket to seven romances - from confessions in Iriuda to proposals in Enoshima and all points in between.***

***Ride on the bus and sing along to the song lyrics with JJ and his pals as the driver opens and shuts the school bus door, the wipers swish, the lights blink, the horn beeps, and more! This shaped board book has wheels that will go round and round just like in the song and is great to play with after the story is over.***

***The Thief***

***Maiden Railways***

***Merry Christmas, PJ Masks!***

***Go For It, Nakamura!!***

***One Minute to Mate***

Best-selling mangaka Hikaru Nakamura (Saint Young Men) makes her English language debut with this surreal comedy starring a 620-year-old water sprite, a man with a star for a head, a nun, and a samurai who runs a barber shop under Tokyo's Arakawa Bridge. Part 5 contains volumes 9 and 10 of the Japanese edition. The aura of craziness emanating from the Arakawa river bank keeps luring in those who want to fly their own freak flag, including, of all people, Rec's secretary Shimazaki. As the day of the launch to Venus, Nino's home planet, draws ever closer, everyone must make their preparations and say farewell to those who are earth-bound. Will the rocket, filled with the hopes of its crew, be able to make the interplanetary journey...?

The PJ Masks go into the night to save the Lunar New Year parade in this exciting 8x8 storybook based on an episode from the hit show! It's almost time for the Lunar New Year parade, and Catboy, Owlette, and Gekko can't wait to celebrate. That is, until they discover mysterious paw prints on one of the floats! Are the Wolfy Kids to blame, or is there a new villain in town? © 2021 FrogBox/Ent. One UK Ltd/Hasbro

Chico Bon Bon: Monkey with a Tool Belt is a preschool show now streaming on Netflix! In this Level 1 Ready-to-Read, Chico Bon Bon dog-sits a mischievous, runaway pup! When Elkin John asks Chico to watch his dog, Bernie, for the day, Chico thinks he's in for an easy afternoon. But as it turns out, Bernie hates being on his leash, and slips out of it every chance he gets. It's up to Chico and his friends to invent the perfect pet leash that Bernie will love. CHICO BON BON™ MONKEY WITH A TOOL BELT™ Chico Bon Bon: Monkey with a Tool Belt Copyright © 2021 Monkey WTB Limited, a Silvergate Media company. All rights reserved.

"" Nakamura has fallen in love-at-first-sight with one of his classmates, Hirose—but there's a problem: they haven't

actually met yet...and Nakamura is a total klutz who might bungle things before they even begin! ""

The hit Boys' Love romcom manga Go For It, Nakamura! returns in this hotly anticipated sequel! It was love-at-first-sight when Nakamura met his classmate, Hirose. The two became friends after the shy and awkward Nakamura finally worked up the nerve to speak to him, but being buddy-buddy with your crush is a whole new kind of torture! And as he watches some other guy cuddle up with Hirose like casual bros, Nakamura tries to keep his head from exploding. Why can't that be him?! Enjoy the hilarious new misadventures of Nakamura desperately trying to keep it together and not scare Hirose off. Hang in there, Nakamura!

Japan Nutrition

Go West!

Song of Night

Skip?Beat!, Vol. 27

CoComelon The Wheels on the Bus

*The second book by prize-winning Japanese novelist Fuminori Nakamura to be available in English translation, a follow-up to 2012's critically acclaimed [The Thief](#)—another fantastically creepy, electric literary thriller that explores the limits of human depravity—and the powerful human instinct to resist evil. When Fumihiko Kuki is eleven years old, his elderly, enigmatic father calls him into his study for a meeting. "I created you to be a cancer on the world," his father tells him. It is a tradition in their wealthy family: a patriarch, when reaching the end of his life, will beget one last child to cause misery in a world that cannot be controlled or saved. From this point on, Fumihiko will be specially educated to learn to create as much destruction and unhappiness in the world around him as a single person can. Between his education in hedonism and his family's resources, Fumihiko's life is one without repercussions. Every door is open to him, for he need obey no laws and may live out any fantasy he might have, no matter how many people are hurt in the process. But as his education progresses, Fumihiko begins to question his father's mandate, and starts to resist.*

*Best-selling mangaka Hikaru Nakamura (Saint Young Men) makes her English language debut with this surreal comedy starring a 620-year-old water sprite, a man with a star for a head, a nun, and a samurai who runs a barber shop under Tokyo's Arakawa Bridge. The heartwarming romantic antics of the river bank denizens—both human and alien—draw to a close in this final volume. Shadowy incidents in the past are brought to light, and each character takes a fateful step towards the future. Nino finally ventures outside, yet is foiled by fowl... Rec goes after her, even though the risk of literal heartbreak is real. Join the gang under the bridge for one last hurrah!*

*What transforms a person into a killer? Can it be something as small as a suggestion? Turn this page, and you may forfeit your entire life. With *My Annihilation*, Fuminori Nakamura, master of literary noir, has constructed a puzzle box of a narrative in the form of a confessional diary that implicates its reader in a heinous crime. Delving relentlessly into the darkest corners of human consciousness, *My Annihilation* interrogates the unspeakable thoughts all humans share that can be monstrous when brought to life, revealing with disturbing honesty the psychological motives of a killer.*

*Kyoko's having trouble getting into the role of Cain's sister. But is it because she can't relate to a spoiled punk princess, or because she can't*

*let go of the fact that Ren is playing Cain? And Ren faces his own challenge with the situation. Can he stand to have the woman he loves treat him like a brother? -- VIZ Media*

*Vie Ghoul is the new band burning up the charts by stealing Sho's moves, and Kyoko's hopping mad on his behalf. Kyoko's confrontation with Sho about his lack of action doesn't go as well as she hoped--Sho gets violent, and the frontman for Vie Ghoul gets a good look at Kyoko's demons. And both men seem a little more interested in Kyoko than Ren would like... -- VIZ Media*

*Follow That Dog!*

*Bullet Chess*

*Arakawa Under the Bridge, 8*

*Let's Go to the Library!*

*The Spirit of the Sword*

A groundbreaking study of deaf identity, minority politics, and sign language, traces the history of the deaf community in Japan.

Chess in the Fast Lane! Can anyone play a decent game of chess in one minute? Surprisingly, the answer is "Yes" as this unique book reveals. "Bullet" chess, where each player has one minute for the entire game, has attracted thousands of followers since it was popularized on the internet a decade ago. In this book the authors discuss the relationship between the position on the board and time on the clock, the techniques and dangers of "pre-moving," bullet openings, the importance of the initiative and consistent strategy, and how endings are different in bullet chess. The authors also explore the psychology of bullet chess and the most common causes of tactical oversights and blunders. The many examples illustrate the principles of bullet chess and how they may even apply to blitz chess and time scrambles in standard chess. Most of all, bullet chess is shown to be entertaining and addictive, and not at all as random as it first appears.

The touching Boys' Love story that inspired a hit animated film, in an all-new translation for digital and print. Hikaru always thought his classmate Rihito was kind of a snob, until he stumbles across Rihito secretly practicing a song in an empty classroom. Hikaru agrees to become Rihito's music tutor, and with each lesson the two boys grow closer. But when Hikaru realizes that he's fallen for Rihito, will they stay classmates or become something more?

A Tokyo college student's discovery and eventual obsession with a stolen handgun awakens something dark inside him. On a nighttime walk along a Tokyo riverbank, a young man named Nishikawa stumbles on a dead body, beside which lies a gun. From the moment Nishikawa decides to take the gun, the world around him blurs. Knowing he possesses the weapon brings an intoxicating sense of purpose to his dull university life. But soon Nishikawa's personal entanglements become unexpectedly complicated: he finds himself romantically involved with two women while his biological father, whom he's never met, lies dying in a hospital. Through it all, he can't

stop thinking about the gun—and the four bullets loaded in its chamber. As he spirals into obsession, his focus is consumed by one idea: that possessing the gun is no longer enough—he must fire it.

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Race, Ethnicity, and Identity on the Internet

Transgenerational Remembrance

Arakawa Under the Bridge, 5

The Complete Story

The Gun

*Nakamura loves a boy in his class--now he just has to keep himself together! Nakamura is a shy boy who falls in love at first sight with another boy--his dreamy high school classmate Hirose. But there's a problem: they haven't met yet. And Nakamura is a total spaz who might bungle things before they even begin! In this endearing Boy's Love comedy about the trials of high school, follow Nakamura's hilarious attempts to cling to happiness.*

*Young author Aki Fujino appeared poised to making it big in the world of publishing. Her debut title UTSUBORA was being pitched about to a number of editors and at least one person felt it was set to propel her into stardom. However, before she could ever have her book published, the young woman was found dead. Some believe it was a suicide, but those close to her feel there is something more sinister involved in this young talent's death. Aki's death has become something straight out of a mystery. Much like the story behind UTSUBORA, there is something more to Aki, Sakura and their relationship with an author named Mizorogi than meets the eye. And it is possible that the only way to solve this mystery may be to uncover all their secrets.*

*Ruby is a student at an elite European boarding school. Things are going pretty well for her until she finds out that she won't be able to go home at Christmas. Instead, she'll be stuck at school with only one other student--the aloof and beautiful Steph--for company. As Ruby tries to understand Steph, she becomes more and more attracted to the other girl. But can she break*

*through Steph's icy exterior?*

*Zen-Noir master Nakamura returns to the Tokyo of The Thief, where a young grifter named Yurika finds herself in a dangerous game of cat-and-mouse with the shadowy crime lord Kizaki. Yurika is a freelancer in the Tokyo underworld. She poses as a prostitute, carefully targeting potential johns, selecting powerful and high-profile men. When she is alone with them, she drugs them and takes incriminating photos to sell for blackmail purposes. She knows very little about the organization she's working for, and is perfectly satisfied with the arrangement, as long as it means she doesn't have to reveal anything about her identity, either. She operates alone and lives a private, solitary life, doing her best to lock away painful memories. But when a figure from Yurika's past resurfaces, she realizes there is someone out there who knows all her secrets: her losses, her motivations, her every move. There are whispers of a crime lord named Kizaki--"a monster," she is told--and Yurika finds herself trapped in a game of cat and mouse. Is she wily enough to escape one of the most sadistic men in Tokyo?*

*From the reviews of the first edition: "The technical chapters will be lapped up by semiconductor specialists keen to know more [...] the book includes fascinating material that answers the question: why did Nakamura succeed where many, much larger, research groups failed."*  
*New Scientist*

*Classmates Vol. 5: O. B.*

*Utsubora: The Story of a Novelist*

*Go For It, Nakamura!*

*The Kingdom*

The magnum opus by Japanese literary sensation Fuminori Nakamura, *Cult X* is a story that dives into the psychology of fringe religion, obsession, and social disaffection. When Toru Narazaki's girlfriend, Ryoko Tachibana, disappears, he tries to track her down, despite the warnings of the private detective he's hired to find her. Ryoko's past is shrouded in mystery, but the one concrete clue to her whereabouts is a previous address in the heart of Tokyo. She lived in a compound with a group that seems to be a cult led by a charismatic guru with a revisionist Buddhist scheme of life, death, and society. Narazaki plunges into the secretive world of the cult, ready to expose himself to any of

the guru's brainwashing tactics if it means he can learn the truth about Ryoko. But the cult isn't what he expected, and he has no idea of the bubbling violence he is stepping into. Inspired by the 1995 sarin gas terrorist attack on the Tokyo subway, *Cult X* is an exploration of what draws individuals into extremism. It is a tour de force that captures the connections between astrophysics, neuroscience, and religion; an invective against predatory corporate consumerism and exploitative geopolitics; and a love story about compassion in the face of nihilism.

Animal parents help their babies get ready for a night of good sleep.

The continuation of Asumiko Nakamura's beloved *Boys' Love* manga *Classmates: Dou kyu sei*, now in English for the first time ever! Get both volumes of O.B. combined in this special omnibus. Hikaru and Rihito may have graduated high school, but their life beyond is just beginning! Can these two boys keep their relationship strong while they grow into adults together? Meanwhile, many of their friends, including their former teacher Hara, are dealing with their own relationship drama. This collection of manga stories from the modern BL classic, *Classmates*, was originally released in two volumes in Japan, but will be published together in English as a single omnibus.

Go For It, Nakamura! Seven Seas

In *Transgenerational Remembrance*, Jessica Nakamura investigates the role of artistic production in the commemoration and memorialization of the Asia-Pacific War (1931-1945) in Japan since 1989. During this time, survivors of Japanese aggression and imperialism, previously silent about their experiences, have sparked contentious public debates about the form and content of war memories. The book opens with an analysis of the performance of space at Yasukuni Shinto Shrine, which continues to promote an anachronistic veneration of the war. After identifying the centrality of performance in long-standing dominant narratives, *Transgenerational Remembrance* offers close readings of artistic performances that tackle subject matter largely obscured before 1989: the kamikaze pilot, Japanese imperialism, comfort women, the Battle of Okinawa, and Japanese American internment. These case studies range from Hirata Oriza's play series about Japanese colonial settlers in Korea and Shimada Yoshiko's durational performance about comfort



women to Kondo Aisuke's videos and gallery installations about Japanese American internment. Working from theoretical frameworks of haunting and ethics, Nakamura develops an analytical lens based on the Noh theater ghost. Noh emphasizes the agency of the ghost and the dialogue between the dead and the living. Integrating her Noh-inflected analysis into ethical and transnational feminist queries, Nakamura shows that performances move remembrance beyond current evidentiary and historiographical debates.

Cult X

Political Games

Cybertypes

Evil and the Mask

Iaido, Kendo, and Test Cutting with the Japanese Sword

**Catboy, Owlette, and Gekko celebrate Christmas in this action-packed board book based on PJ Masks, the hit preschool series airing on Disney Junior! The PJ Masks are excited about exchanging Christmas gifts. That is, of course, until the Wolfy kids find and destroy all the presents. It's up to the PJ Masks to save the day—and Christmas! PJ Masks © Frog Box / Entertainment One UK Limited / Walt Disney EMEA Productions Limited 2014**

**There's trouble on the Tsukimori set, and surprisingly it's not Kyoko's fault. Ren is having difficulty acting the part of a love-struck suitor since he's never really been in love before. Stressed by his sudden acting impotence, Ren goes MIA. Kyoko is determined to help her friend, and joins forces with Ren's manager. But as Ren sees the two of them getting close, he realizes he might know more about serious emotion than he thought! -- VIZ Media**

**''' High schooler Hoshino Terumichi has been haunted by a recurring dream: a young man, a century earlier, dying at the hands of another man he calls "Sensei." This dream—or curse—is about to merge with reality when a mysterious, attractive classmate named Yamada Omihiko steps into Terumichi's life. '''**

**This is the first collection of Buddhist legends in Japan, and these stories form the repertoire of miraculous events and moral examples that later Buddhist priests used for preaching to the people. As Kyokai describes his own intentions, "By editing these stories of miraculous events I want to pull the people forward by the ears, offer my hand to lead them to good, and show them how to cleanse their feet of evil" (p.222). Nakamura's book is actually two works in one: first an introduction to the Nihon ryoiki, and then an annotated translation. The introduction analyzes the life of the author and the influence of earlier writings, and provides a valuable synthesis of the world view reflected in the work. The annotated translation renders the more than one hundred stories into English narrative, with copious notes. Difficult terms are identified in the text with the original Chinese characters, while historical matters and Buddhist technical terms are explained in the footnotes.**

**A literary crime masterpiece that follows a Japanese pickpocket lost to the machinations of fate. Bleak and oozing existential dread, The Thief is simply unforgettable. The Thief is a seasoned pickpocket. Anonymous in his tailored suit, he weaves in and out of Tokyo crowds, stealing wallets from strangers so smoothly sometimes he doesn't even remember the snatch. Most people are just a blur to him, nameless faces from whom he chooses his victims. He has no family, no friends, no connections.... But he does have a past, which finally catches up with him when Ishikawa, his first partner, reappears in his life, and offers him a job he can't refuse. It's an easy job: tie up an old rich man, steal the contents of the safe. No one gets hurt. Only the day after the job does he learn that the old man was a prominent politician, and that he was brutally killed after the robbery. And now the Thief is caught in a tangle even he might not be able to escape.**

**Arakawa Under the Bridge, 4**

**The Nihon Ryoiki of the Monk Kyokai**

**Deaf in Japan**

**Go for It Again, Nakamura!!**

**Race in Cyberspace**

*Groundbreaking and timely, Race in Cyberspace brings to light the important yet vastly overlooked intersection of race and cyberspace.*

*It's Time to Go to Bed*

*Skip[?]Beat!, Vol. 14*

*A White Rose in Bloom Vol. 1*

*Dinosaur Family Trip*

*My Annihilation*