*For my sister, Elizabeth*
*—A.B.*

*For my Mom and Dad, Suda and Soonthorn*
*—D.P.*

## Author's Note

Everything we have ever known or might ever imagine can be held between the covers of a book. That knowledge is a precious and powerful thing. Education shares that power and helps its recipients become their most amazing selves. But what if someone is kept from an education? That is the situation for over one hundred and thirty million girls around the world. Factors like poverty, political situations, remote living, violence, and child marriage keep girls out of classrooms and stop them from reaching their full potential. Global lack of education for girls hurts them, their families, their communities, and their countries. Educated girls grow into women who are healthier, earn higher incomes, and help the people in their lives out of poverty.
To learn more about how you can help girls around the world get an education, visit the United Nations Girls' Education Initiative (ungei.org) and donate to the Girls Opportunity Alliance (gofundme.com/c/girlsopportunityalliance).

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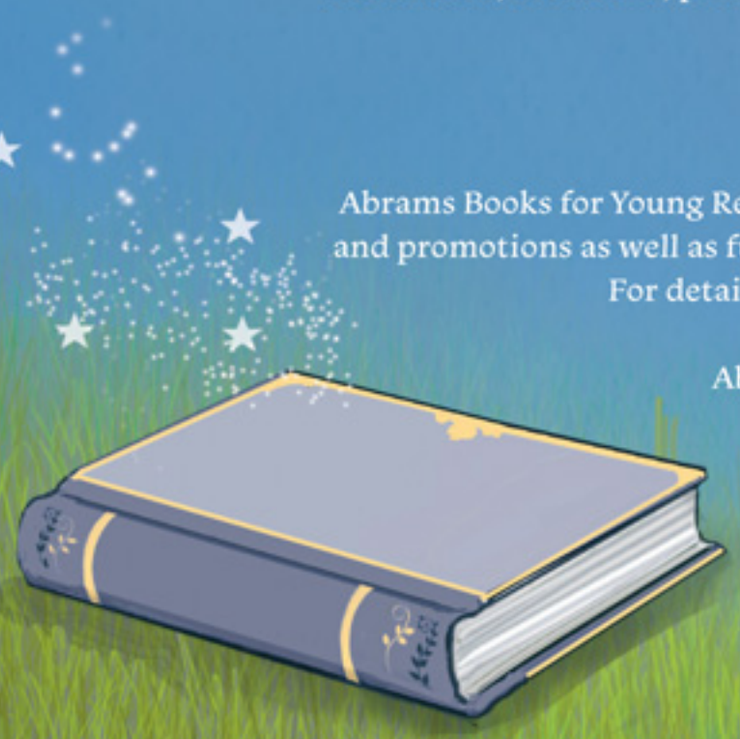
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Glow.

Tiny ember.
Burning low.



