

Astrid Lindgren

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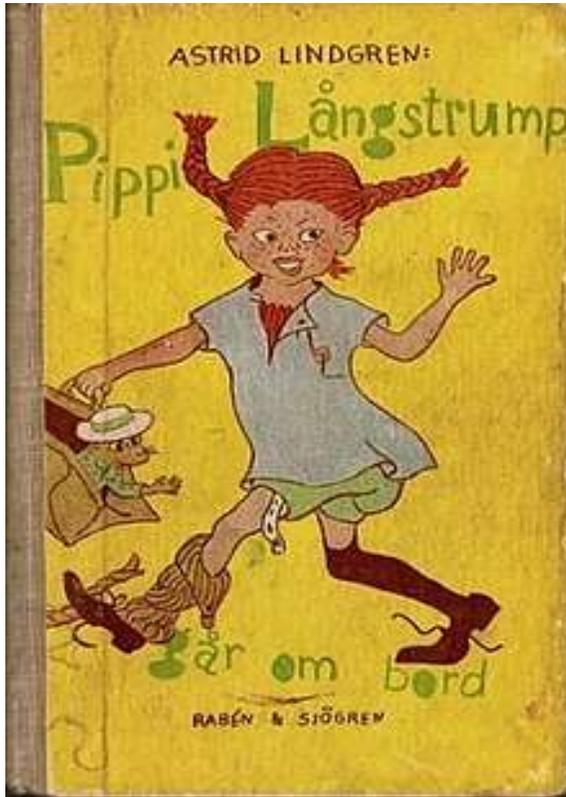
Astrid Anna Emilia Lindgren

- a Swedish writer of fiction and screenplay
- best known for several children's book series
- In January 2017 calculated to be the world's 18th most translated author and the fourth most translated children's writer
- sold roughly 165 million books worldwide
- wrote more than 30 books for children



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Astrid_Lindgren

Her children's book series



Pippi was named by Lindgren's daughter Karin, who asked her mother for a get-well story when she was off school.

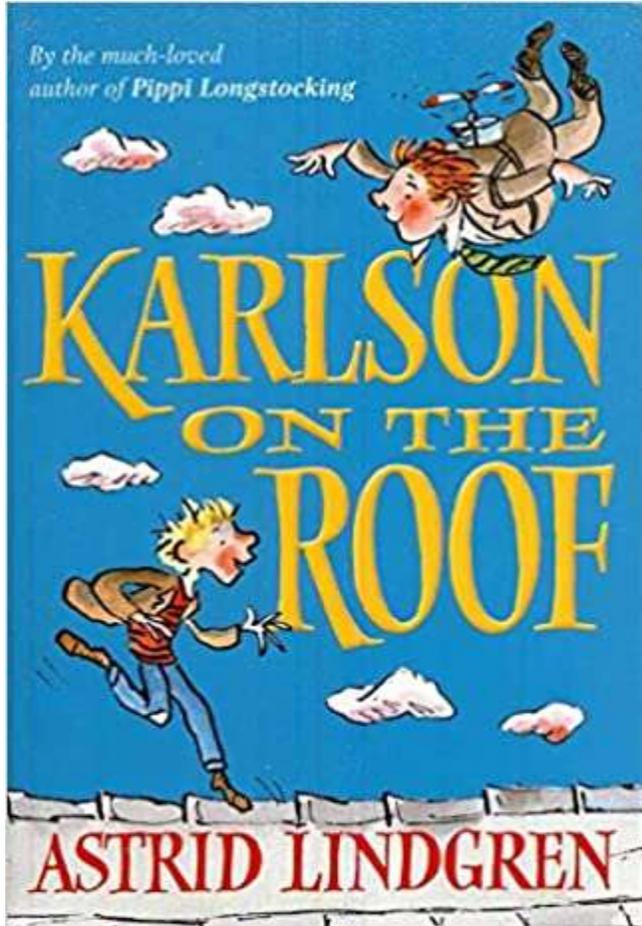
She is the daughter of a buccaneer captain and has adventure stories to tell about that, too. Her four best friends are her horse and monkey, and the neighbours' children, Tommy and Annika.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pippi_Longstocking



Emil of Lönneberga is a series of children's novels by Astrid Lindgren. The twelve books were written between 1963 and 1997. Emil, the title character, is a prankster who lives on a farm in the Lönneberga village of Småland, Sweden.

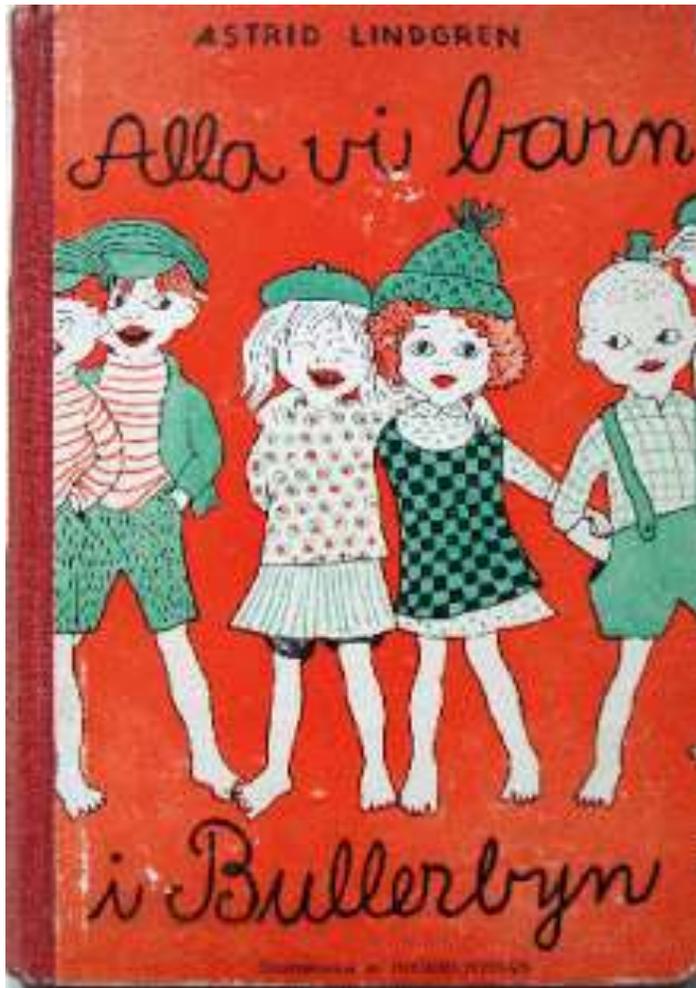
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Karlsson is a very short, plump and overconfident man who lives in a small house hidden behind a chimney on the roof of 'a very ordinary apartment building on a very ordinary street' in Vasastan, Stockholm. When Karlsson pushes a button on his stomach, it starts a clever little motor with a propeller on his back, allowing him to fly.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Karlsson-on-the-Roof#Series>

<https://www.amazon.com/Karlsson-Roof-Astrid-Lindgren/dp/0670411760>



A young girl named Lisa tells us about her life and adventures in the small and neat Swedish village Bullerby. The village consists of three lined up houses in which live seven children with their parents and housekeepers: Lisa with her older brothers Lasse and Bosse, the siblings Britta and Anna, as well as Olle with his younger sister Kerstin.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Six_Bullerby_Children

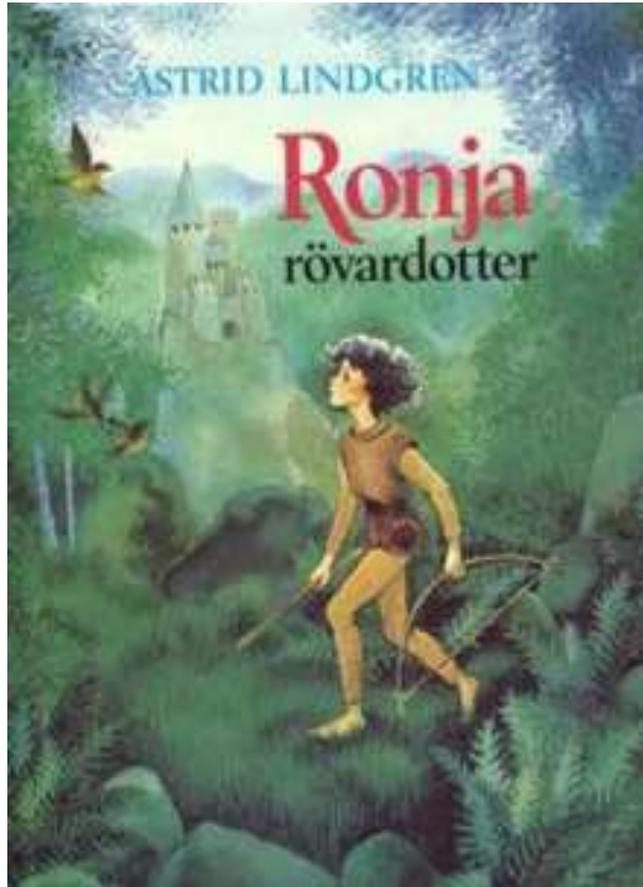
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Her children's fantasy novels

Mio, My Son



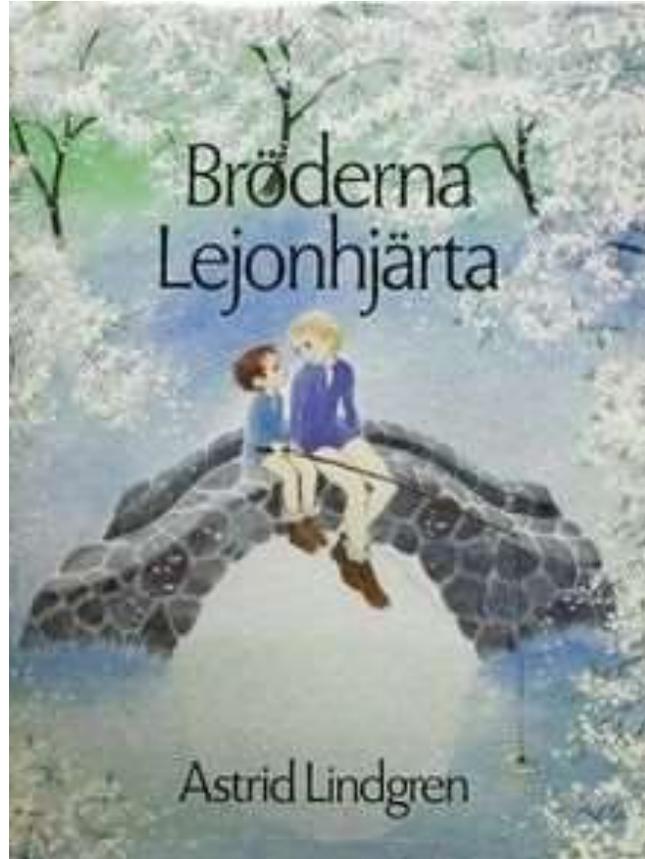
Bo Vilhelm Olsson ("Mio"), a young boy who has been adopted by an elderly couple who dislike boys. One day he receives an apple from the kindly shopkeeper who asks him to mail a postcard for her. It is addressed to a king, and it says that his son will soon be coming home, recognized by his possession of a golden apple. Bosse looks at his apple and suddenly it turns into gold. Soon after, Bosse finds a bottle with a genie trapped inside. The genie recognizes the apple and takes Bosse to another world, far, far away.



Ronia, the Robber's Daughter

Ronia is a girl growing up among a clan of robbers living in a castle in the woodlands. As the only child of Matt, the chief, she is expected to become the leader of the clan someday. Their castle, Matt's Fort, is split into two parts by a lightning bolt on the day of Ronia's birth. Ronia grows up with Matt's clan of robbers as her only company, until a rival robber group led by Borka moves into the other half of the castle.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ronia,_the_Robber%27s_Daughter



The Brothers Lionheart

The two main characters are two brothers: the brave and popular Jonatan and his admiring younger brother, Karl. The two brothers' surname is originally Lion, though the courageous Jonatan is known as "Lionheart." Karl's nickname is Skorpan (Rusky) since Jonatan loves these typical Swedish toasts or crusts as much as he loves his little brother.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Brothers_Lionheart

Astrid Lindgren's books in school curriculum

During the first stage of study students get to know the characters like Pippi, Karlsson, Emil of Lönneberga, Lotta on Troublemaker Street and Bullerby children.

During the second stage of study these characters are discussed:

Ronia the Robber's Daughter, Kalle Blomkvist (Bill Bergson in English translation), Rasmus and the Vagabond.

On Theatre Days students have staged school plays based on Astrid Lindgren's books.

The students have seen *Pippi Longstocking* and *Ronia, the Robber's Daughter* being performed at Estonian theatres.