

## 'Twas Nochebuena

Sara Palacios, Roseanne Greenfield Thong

'Twas Nochebuena and all through our casa, every creature was kneading tamale masa...

Savor the magic of Nochebuena with a holiday tale you'll want to read again and again.

It's Christmas Eve, and you're invited to a Nochebuena celebration! Follow a family as they prepare to host a night filled with laughter, love, and Latino tradition. Make tasty tamales and hang colorful adornos (decorations) on the walls. Gather to sing festive canciones (songs) while sipping champurrado (hot chocolate). After the midnight feast has been served and the last gifts have been unwrapped, it's time to cheer, "Feliz Navidad and to all a good night!"

Roseanne Greenfield Thong is the author of many multicultural-themed children's books. She was born in Southern California but has lived in Guatemala, Mexico, Hong Kong, and Taiwan. While in Guatemala and Mexico, she studied Spanish and ate many tamales. Roseanne now lives in Orange County where she teaches English composition.

Sara Palacios illustrated the Pura Belpré honor book Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match. She divides her time between San Francisco and Mexico City.

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## IT SIMPLY CAN'T BE BEDTIME

Pamela Paul, Steven Salerno

Bedtime routines get a jolt of silliness and creativity when a dad and daughter face off in this timeless scenario.

When dad says it's bedtime and his daughter strongly disagrees, her stuffy hilariously comes to her defense. Lady Pigsworth is quick to point out the many ongoing projects that just can't be abandoned, the danger of sleeping in a butterfly costume, the alarming spinach stuck in the girl's teeth, and more. Each over-the-top declaration of why it can't possibly be bedtime yet leads the group through common bedtime routines in animated and heartwarming scenes until Lady Pigsworth's demands reach questionable heights, even to the little girl, so she takes matters into her own hands to get both of them into bed. Dreamy illustrations and the hilarious Lady Pigsworth make for a perfect read-aloud that will leave any kid content to shut their eyes, at least for a little bit. PAMELA PAUL is an Opinion columnist at the New York Times and the former editor of The New York Times Book Review. She is the author of eight adult books and *Rectangle Time*, a book for children. Prior to joining The New York Times, she was a contributor to Time and The Economist, and her work has appeared in The Atlantic, The Washington Post, and Vogue. This is STEVEN SALERNO's 38th picture book. He wrote and illustrated five and his picture books written by other authors include new Madeline board books, *On the Corner of Chocolate Avenue: How Milton Hershey Brought Milk Chocolate to America* by Tziporah Cohen (an Amazon.com Editor's Choice), *Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag* by Rob Sanders, and *Brothers at Bat* by Audrey Vernick (a New York Times Book Review's Notable Picture Book of the Year). Steven's illustrations also appear in advertising, magazines, product packaging, and retail graphics. A graduate of Parson School of Design in NYC, he lives and works in Brooklyn. [stevensalerno.com](http://stevensalerno.com)

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## DIMAGRIRE SENZA DIETA

Raffaele Morelli

LOSING WEIGHT WITHOUT DIETING, it's a dream for many people, whether they are man or women, young or old.

Morelli explains how this dream can be realized: food is often a compensation, people eat too much to fill their inner void, loneliness and emptiness, to forget frustrations. And dieting is hard and frustrating as well. People should ask themselves what they really like to do, what's their real passion, what they love. Sometimes people forgot or "switched off" their true self, or did not pay attention to their dreams. Fat often hides secret ambitions, expectations, passions and goals. Once their inner balance is re-established, people will lose weight naturally and without dieting. People who are at peace with themselves do not need compensations. Raffaele Morelli's method is psychosomatic, we may define it as the "Anti Dukan" .

Morelli is a medical doctor, a psychiatrist, and a therapist. He is the director of the well known monthly "Riza Psicosomatica". He published several non fiction books with Mondadori; this is the first we represent.

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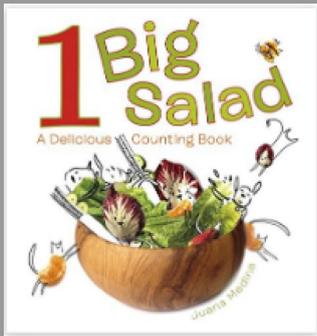
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## 1 BIG SALAD

Juana Medina

Juana Medina's ingenious illustrations nearly pop off the page in her new counting book, ONE BIG SALAD.

One avocado deer saunters across the spread, two radish mice scurry by, until finally ten watercress seahorses swim onto the scene - all of the ingredients in one big salad!

Medina's previous book with Viking, SMICK!, introduced her to the children's book world, and now she's bringing her fresh and innovative take on the concept book form.

Juana Medina was born and raised in Bogotá, Colombia and came to the U.S. to study at the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD). She now lives in Washington, DC, where she teaches at the Corcoran College of Art.

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### News & Comments

Great for a storytime or one-on-one sharing, this vivacious book will inspire youngsters to explore the fruits and veggies in their own kitchens.  
review School Library Journal (starred)

A counting book [that is] not just a counting book...wonderfully expressive.  
review Publishers Weekly

...funny...playful...refreshing... Toddlers may giggle as they learn numbers and practice counting, while slightly older children will want to get out their markers and try to emulate the artwork.

review Kirkus, starred review