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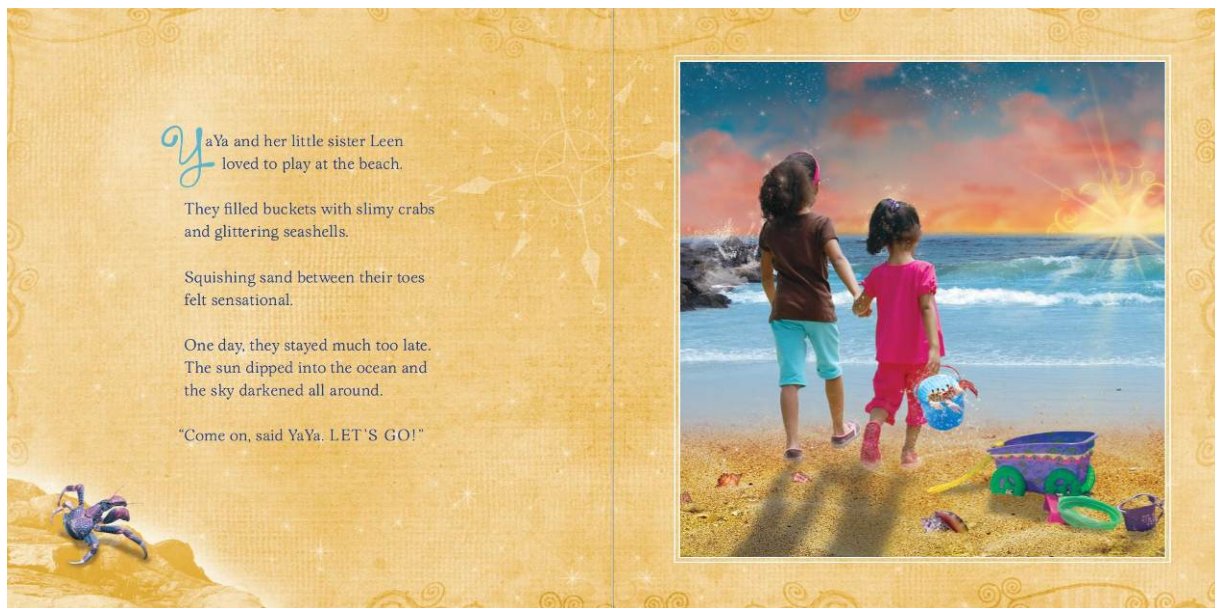
Sunbelievable – A Delightful Story Teaches Children About The Wonders Of The Sun

Jo Ann Kairys, a professional science writer, has teamed with her physician son, a Florida General Surgeon, and one of NASA's top scientists to create a children's book that synergizes fantasy storytelling with science and nature.

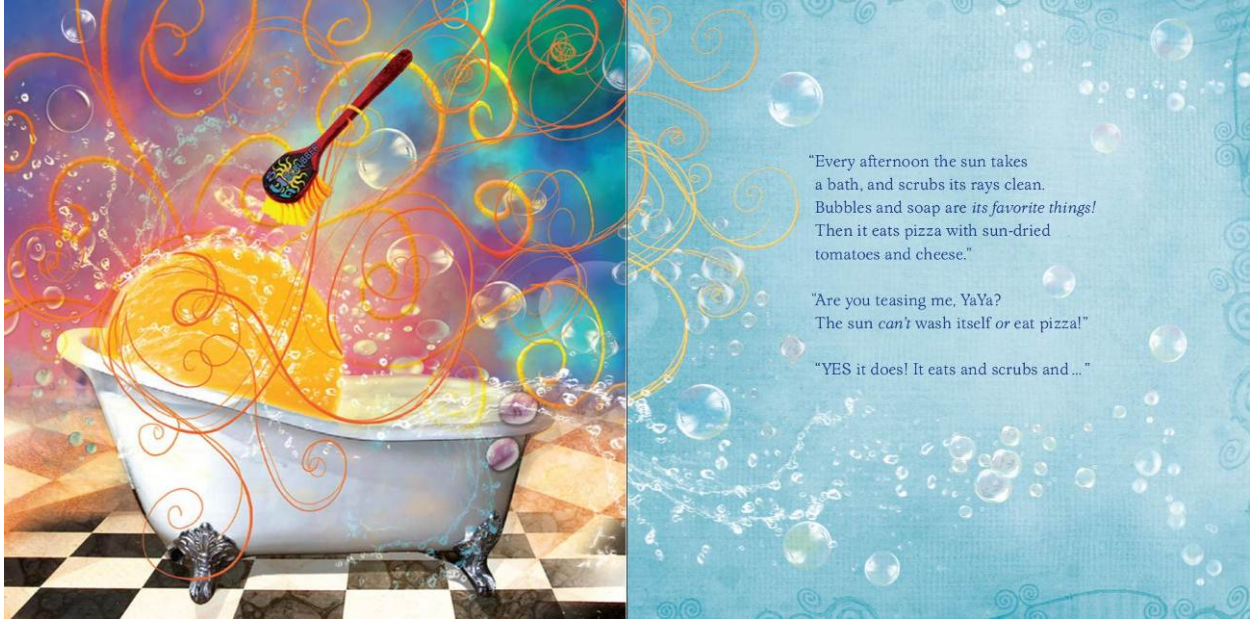
Sunbelievable is a humorous, beautifully illustrated, educational/science children's picture book about the Sun for young children ages 4 to 8.

To help her younger sister Leen fall asleep at bedtime, YaYa tells her about the Sun's amazing exploits.

Skeptical Leen challenges YaYa's tales and invents her own hilarious twists and surprises.



In a colorful world bounded only by imagination, YaYa and Leen entertain and amuse themselves with all the silliness and fun they conjure up together.

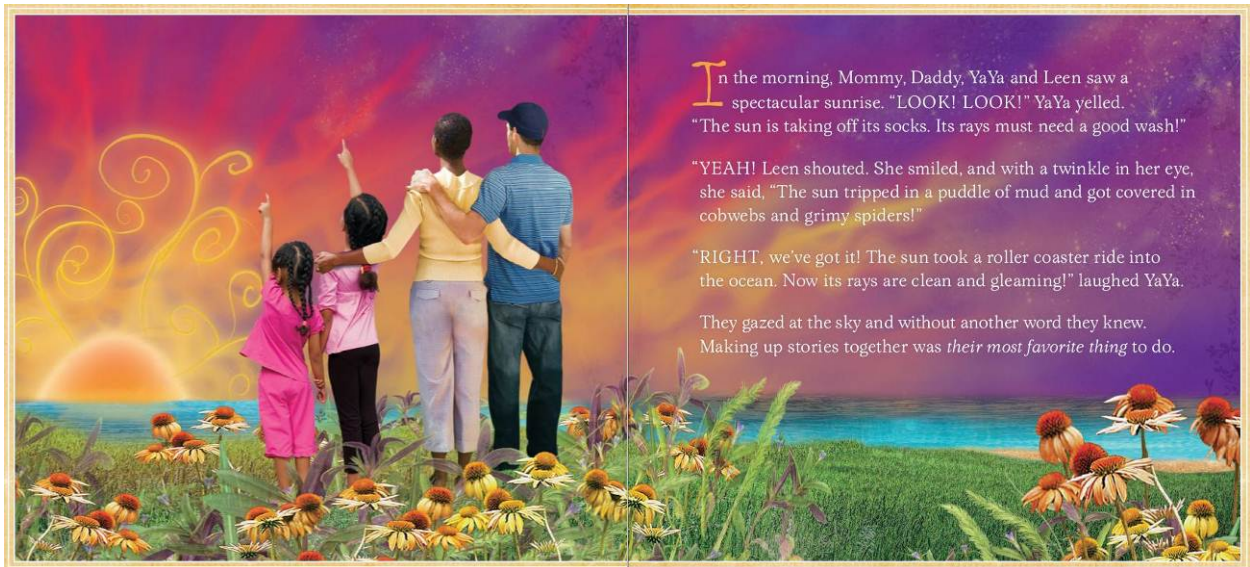


"Every afternoon the sun takes a bath, and scrubs its rays clean. Bubbles and soap are *its favorite things!* Then it eats pizza with sun-dried tomatoes and cheese."

"Are you teasing me, YaYa? The sun *can't* wash itself or eat pizza!"

"YES it does! It eats and scrubs and..."

Does the Sun ride roller coasters? Teach fireflies to shine? Take bubble baths when eating pizza?



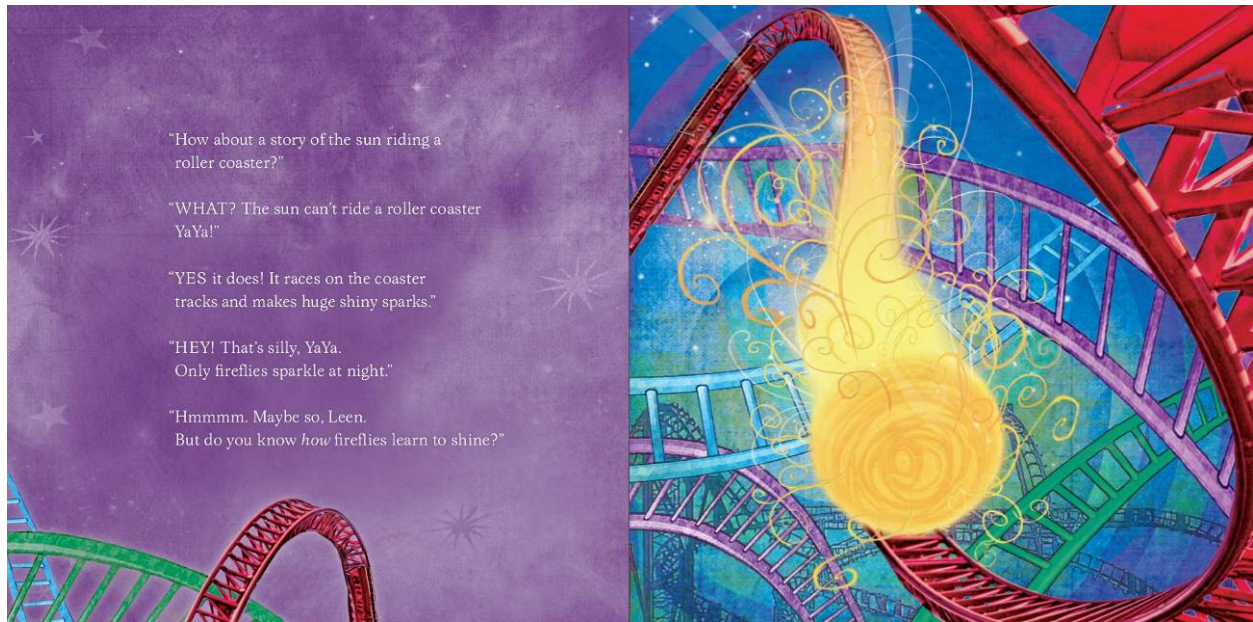
In the morning, Mommy, Daddy, YaYa and Leen saw a spectacular sunrise. "LOOK! LOOK!" YaYa yelled. "The sun is taking off its socks. Its rays must need a good wash!"

"YEAH! Leen shouted. She smiled, and with a twinkle in her eye, she said, "The sun tripped in a puddle of mud and got covered in cobwebs and grimy spiders!"

"RIGHT, we've got it! The sun took a roller coaster ride into the ocean. Now its rays are clean and gleaming!" laughed YaYa.

They gazed at the sky and without another word they knew. Making up stories together was *their most favorite thing* to do.

Together, they create not only a wildly funny story, but also discover the power of shared imagination.



"How about a story of the sun riding a roller coaster?"

"WHAT? The sun can't ride a roller coaster YaYa!"

"YES it does! It races on the coaster tracks and makes huge shiny sparks."

"HEY! That's silly, YaYa. Only fireflies sparkle at night."

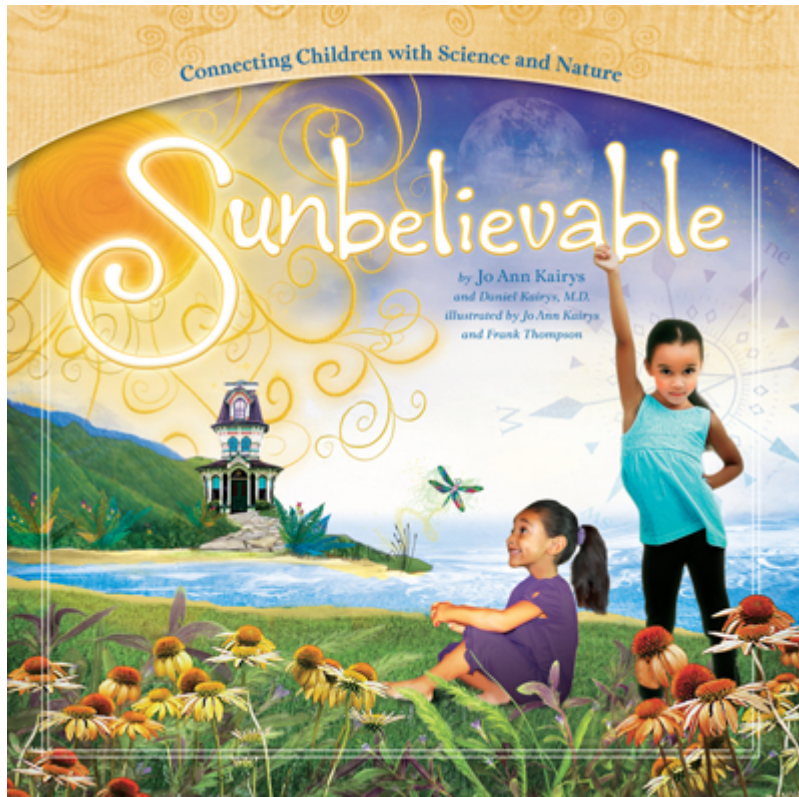
"Hmmm. Maybe so, Leen. But do you know *how* fireflies learn to shine?"

Children and adults alike will enjoy the girls' loving relationship, curiosity and emerging sense of wonder. If the sun can ride roller coasters, anything is possible.

Robert D. Braun, Ph.D., NASA Chief Technologist, contributed a special educational essay for the book describing real facts about the Sun and its importance to the Earth.

Sunbelievable is geared toward young readers, helping them understand the vital importance of the Sun in our universe. The book is illustrated by Jo Ann Kairys and Frank Thompson – a talented artist and teacher in the New Jersey public schools.

The vividly stylized images use digital photo collage techniques, combining photographs and original digital artwork. Jo Ann's original photographs of children and landscapes from around the world set the stage for this imaginative, wacky story.



Sunbelievable

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Illustrated by Jo Ann Kairys and Frank Thompson
Special contribution by Robert D. Braun, Ph.D.

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Jo Ann Kairys is the mother of 4 and grandmother to 5 (so far). She has a master's degree in public health and has enjoyed a long career in the health care field, most recently as a professional science writer whose articles appear in major medical journals. She and her husband, a pediatrician, taught extensively in Russia and Central and Eastern Europe. The illustrations in *Sunbelievable* are influenced by their travels and the children's stories and artwork unseen by western eyes for decades. Jo Ann is a member of the Society for Children's Book Writers and Illustrators and the National Association of Photoshop Professionals. Jo Ann lives and works in New Jersey. She published her first book, *Princess Secrets*, in 2008.



After a whirlwind childhood in Montana, Vermont, and New Hampshire, Daniel (Jo Ann's son) is now a general surgeon in south central Florida. When not wrestling gallbladders and appendixes, he spends time inspiring, teaching and loving his wife and four children. He is deeply committed to improving health care for underserved communities, and was one of the first surgeons to arrive in Haiti after the 2010 earthquake.

What People Are Saying

"*Sunbelievable* is a great addition to a child's – and parent's – library. The magical illustrations and hilarious tales about the Sun are storytelling at its best. We love the educational/scientific piece about the real Sun from one of NASA's top experts. 5 stars!"

-- Monique and Saul Moscovitz, Absolute Best Nanny Care

"*Sunbelievable* is unique in the children's book world. The artwork is truly exceptional, a brilliant melding of art and photography. The writing tells the story boldly through the imagination of two curious children . . . *Sunbelievable* surpasses all of my benchmarks of a great children's book."

-- Dave Broughton, Contributor to Sacramento and San Francisco Book Review

UPDATE: In 2012 *Sunbelievable* earned five national book awards, including the prestigious Mom's Choice Gold Award for storytelling and illustration. The Kairys' second children's book, *I Want Cake!* published in 2015 has earned two top awards: Mom's Choice and the Foreword Reviews Indie Fab Book of the Year Finalist.

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