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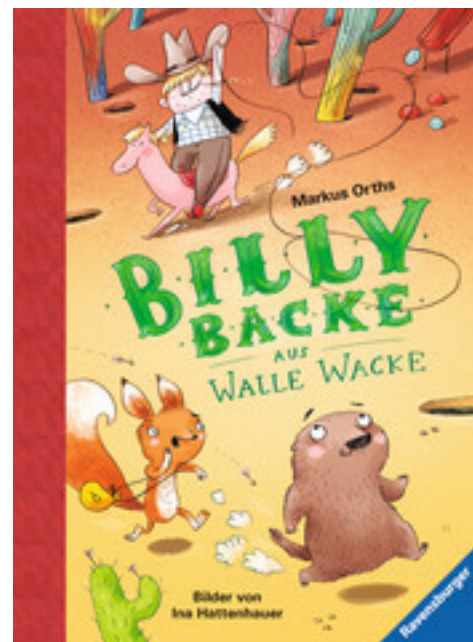
- A firework of imagination and word play

CONTENT

The clever marmot Billy Backe lives with his thirty-nine friends and relatives in Wally Wackeland. One day, Billy Backe and his best friend Polly meet the schronk. The schronk is round as a ball, with long dangling arms and legs and a wrinkled moon face. It could be that the schronk is a Wally-Wackeland-flea-circus-director-giant-marmot-horse-trampoline. You can't quite tell, exactly. But Billy and Polly want to find out for sure. And in the process they experience numerous adventures: they must face off against the dangerous cowboy Billy the Kid, free the pink miniature horse from the hedgehog hooligans, and follow mirth-crazed wigglebigs into the Creepily Creepy Forest. And finally, in the end, it's time for a long winter hibernation. They do find out exactly what a schronk is: the schronk is a friend – the best one you could ever imagine.

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