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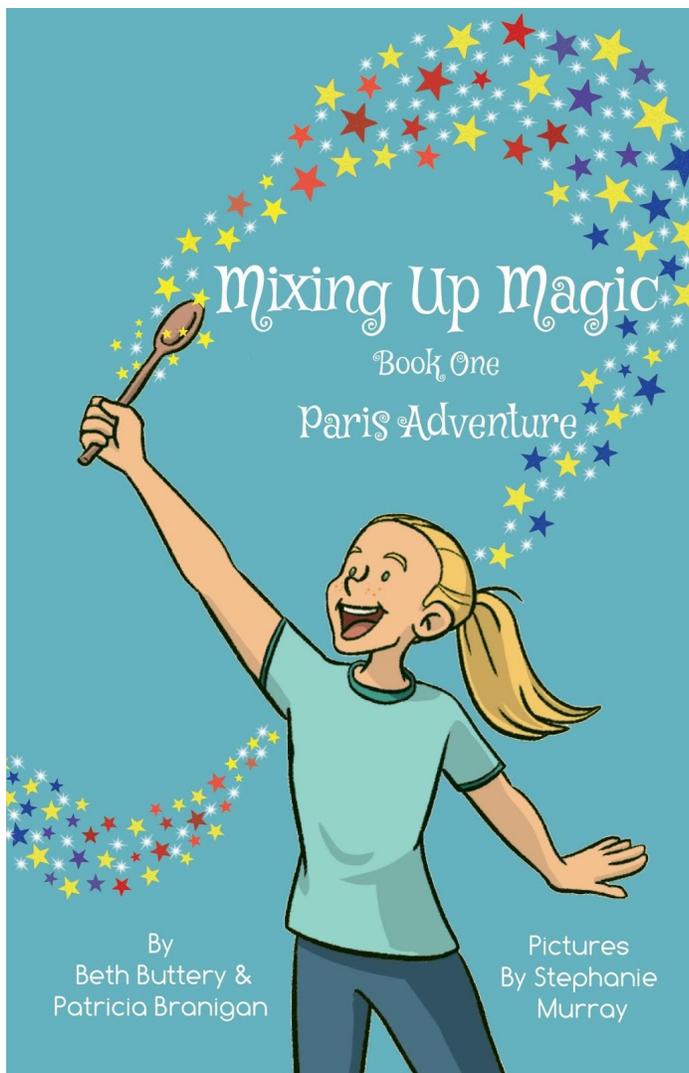
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Mixing Up Magic: Paris Adventure

Written by Patricia Branigan and Beth Buttery

Illustrated by Stephanie Murray

Print and eBook also available in Spanish



Spunky ten-year-old Lainey loves to bake with her granny and play soccer with her friends.

Sometimes when she is baking things go terribly wrong, but in the end, everything works out okay. When her doctor tells her she has type 1 diabetes, Lainey's world turns upside down. She liked life better before diabetes, and she's not so sure she can enjoy all the things she used to. She doesn't believe everything will turn out okay this time. But then, Granny gives her an enchanted wooden spoon and sends Lainey on a magical adventure to Paris. Will Lainey find the answers she is looking for? Read the first book in the series, *Mixing Up Magic: Paris Adventure*, to find out!



Mixing Up Magic tackles the physical and emotional effects of the life-altering illness, type 1 diabetes. It also explores how Lainey's diagnosis affects her friendships. The series will entertain readers of all ages and provide coping skills that anyone can implement in their own lives. A question/discussion guide is included at the end of the book.

Enjoy Lainey's adventure with her magical spoon!



Paul A Siegel

5.0 out of 5 stars

"This book was amazing. My children enjoyed and understood it. Mixing Up Magic was a catalyst for many great conversations with my children about difficult topics such as dealing with a difficult diagnosis, therapy, and adversity. This book makes an adventure out of difficult real-world situations. I very much loved reading it with my children and would recommend families read it together."

Julie Stevenson

5.0 out of 5 stars

"Such a unique, compassionate, and encouraging tale of a young girl learning to live with her new diagnosis of type 1 diabetes. Can not wait to see where Lainey travels to next and the lessons she will learn and what she will be able to teach others."

Lisa Smith

5.0 out of 5 stars

"There are so few books out there on the subject of Type I Diabetes, especially from the perspective of a child. This book is just that. It is a fun and well-written story. It will give hope to other children who are facing this challenge!"

Patricia Branigan is an artist, writer, and advocate. Her first children's picture book, *A Weed Grew in Our Garden*, was featured in the 2016 Grand Rapids Art Prize Competition. Her story was turned into an art installation that brought the words to life. When she's not writing, Patricia works as a substance abuse counselor.

Beth Buttery is a busy mom and educator. After her daughter's type 1 diagnosis, they struggled with their new normal and searched for support groups and knowledge to help them cope. They found there weren't many books specifically for kids dealing with type 1 and especially for kids who love fantasy and adventure. So Beth teamed up with her friend and author, Patricia to create their own adventure series where kids can tackle real-life issues in a fun, fantastical way.

Stephanie Villarreal Murray is an artist and art teacher. Her work has been featured in *Tales from La Vida: A Latinx Comic Anthology*, *Chubby Witches Vol. 1*, and on infographics for *A Pleasant Dog*. Stephanie's work is inspired by her love of cartoons and dogs, her journey with mental health and overall wellness, and the events of her everyday life with her most favorite person - her husband Kevin.

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