

**HOW TO BE A FANTASTIC-SENSATIONAL GOOD ENOUGH KID**  
ALICE PEEL

- The ultimate guide for kids and parents to discover that feeling 'good enough' is already within our reach
- Brings kids, teachers and parents together to unpack life's common dilemmas using humour, real stories from children, and evidence-based invitations for feeling and staying mentally fit
- Gives children an opportunity to understand different wellbeing practices in a 'non-preachy', irreverent and relatable style
- Helps kids at any age, and sets them on a path to being a legend and transforming the world around them

Age range 8 to 12

**You don't need to be fantastic or sensational, just good enough.**

*How to be a fantastic sensational good enough kid* is the book children, parents and teachers have been waiting for. Alice Peel, co-founder of Grow Your Mind – a groundbreaking wellbeing program that helps children develop resilience – takes on the life skills and emotional dilemmas 'good enough' kids face every day. Packed with great advice on how to be mentally fit and resilient and how to deal with jealousy among other emotions, *How to be a fantastic sensational good enough kid* also includes 'non-painful' ideas on practising gratitude, and is chock-a-block with fascinating brain facts and inspiring stories. It's the only guide you'll ever need to be a good enough kid.

**'This book is a game-changer for kids!' – Dr Sarah McKay, Neuroscientist**

**'This book should be in the hands of every primary school child.' – Nicole Molloy, Principal, Green Square Public School**



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| PB | 256pp | 190x150mm | AU \$29.99 |  
NZ \$34.99

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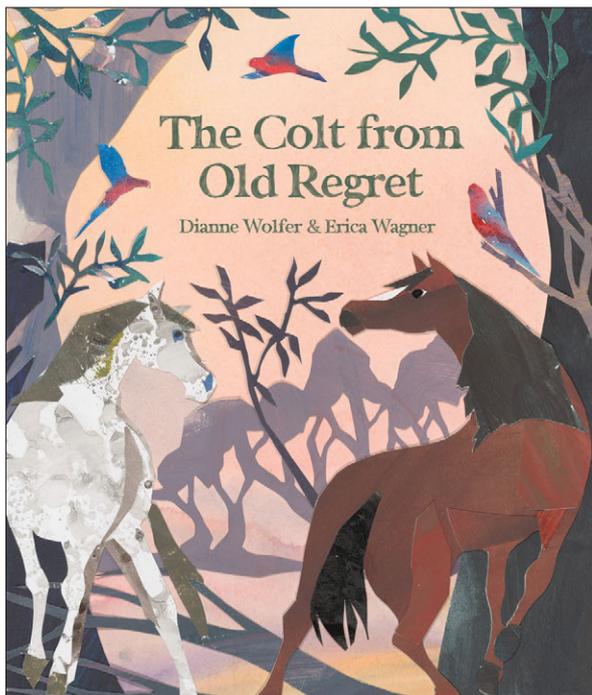


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(Sydney)



**About the author:**

**Alice Peel** is a primary school teacher and co-founder of Grow Your Mind, a mental health social venture. She holds a Graduate Diploma of Teaching and Learning from the University of Southern Queensland, a Masters of International Public Health from the University of Sydney and has undertaken courses in positive psychology and neuroscience.



**THE COLT FROM OLD REGRET**

DIANNE WOLFER, ILLUSTRATED BY ERICA WAGNER

- A poetic response to the well-known Australian poem 'The Man From Snowy River' by Banjo Paterson, written from the Colt's perspective
- Author Dianne Wolfer is the 2024 winner of the Western Australian Premier's Literary Award for Children's Book of the Year
- Illustrator Erica Wagner is the 2024 winner of the CBCA New Illustrator Award
- The end matter will include the full text of Paterson's original poem, as well as informative and engaging text that delves into the history of bush poetry, a Banjo Paterson bio and a section on the Brumbies in the Snowy Mountains

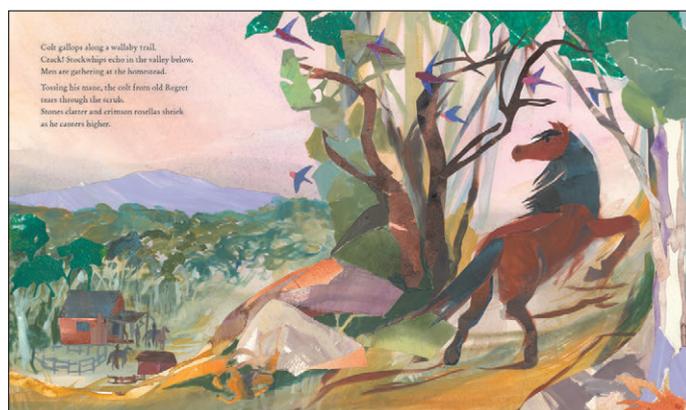
**Age range 6+**

*Tossing his mane, the Colt from old Regret tears through the scrub. Stones clatter and crimson rosellas shriek as he canters higher.*

You may have heard the story of the man from Snowy River and his fearless ride through the mountains. This is Colt's story, of nickering mares and a rearing stallion. How did Colt escape the man? What did Colt see, feel and smell as he charged through the bush?

Beloved children's author Dianne Wolfer responds to 'The Man from Snowy River', creating an essential companion to the original poem. It is illustrated with exquisite collages by Erica Wagner, which convey the depth of emotion with great tenderness. They encapsulate the mood of Wolfer's text, transporting the reader into the Snowy Mountains.

Endmatter includes the full text of Paterson's poem, along with additional information on Paterson himself, brumbies and the Snowy Mountains, and bush poetry. All gathered together, this is a new Australian classic in the making.



Colt gallops along a waddy trail.  
Crack! Stockwhips echo in the valley below.  
Men are gathering at the homestead.  
Tossing his mane, the colt from old Regret  
tears through the scrub.  
Stones clatter and crimson rosellas shriek  
as he canters higher.



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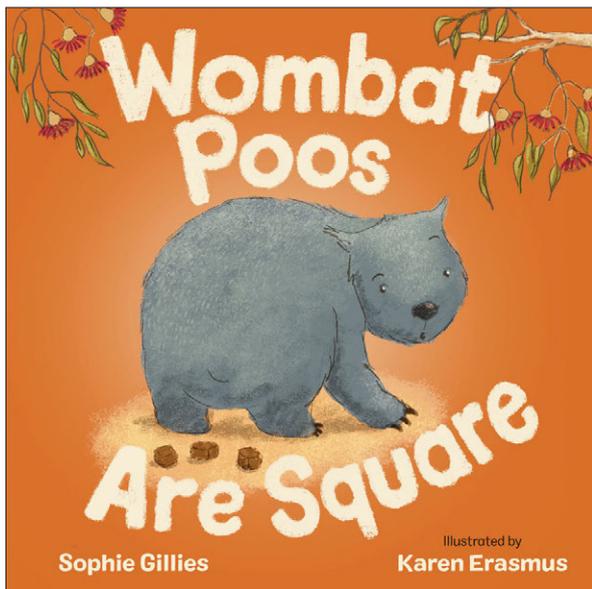
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(Albany, WA)

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**About the author and illustrator:**

**Dianne Wolfer** is an award-winning author of 25 books, including the acclaimed *Light* series, *The Dog With Seven Names* and *The Last Light Horse*. Most recently, Diane's book *Scout and the Rescue Dogs* won the Children's Book of the Year at the Western Australian Premier's Literary Awards. Dianne completed PhD research into anthropomorphism at UWA, and loves talking about animal characters in children's literature.

**Erica Wagner** is an artist, publisher and creative consultant to storytellers. For over three decades, Erica has edited and published many groundbreaking and award-winning books for children and young adults. Erica's first book, *Hope is the Thing* (2023), written by Johanna Bell, won the CBCA New Illustrator Award. The book was also shortlisted for the 2024 Wilderness Society Environment Awards for Children's Literature. Erica is a painter, drawer and collage artist.



**WOMBAT POOS ARE SQUARE**

SOPHIE GILLIES, ILLUSTRATED BY KAREN ERASMUS

- Explores the wonderful world of Australian animal poo
- Showcases the many different types of poo animals do, and the reasons why poo is important for our environment
- Includes humorous, rhyming text and captivating illustrations

**Age range 5 to 9**

All Australian creatures from galahs and potoroos, to stingrays and goannas, do their own distinctive poos.

Discover which animal has sparkly poo, who poos hundreds of times a day and, of course, whose poos are square! With whimsical illustrations and humorous text, *Wombat Poos Are Square* explains the important role poo plays in our environment.



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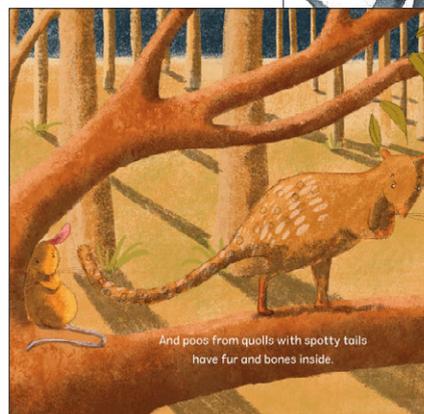
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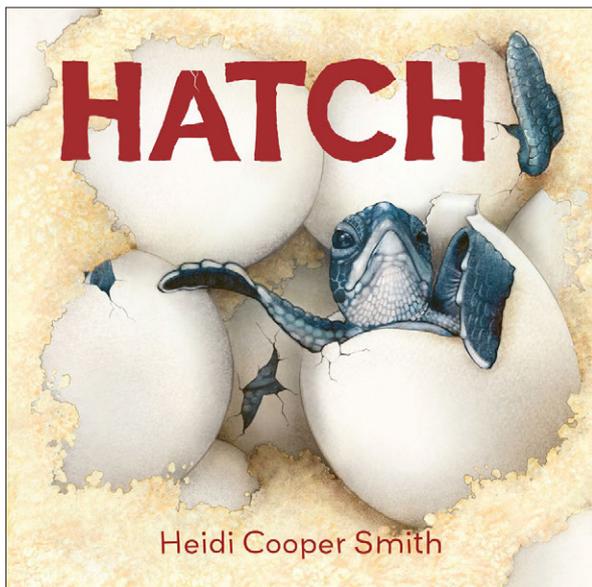
Ngambri (Canberra); Mount Eliza, VIC

**About the author and illustrator:**

**Sophie Gillies** has taught English and Environmental Studies to children and adults and has a Creative Writing degree. She enjoys running and gardening and lives with her family in Canberra.

**Karen Erasmus** has been illustrating material for children for many years. She lives on the south coast of Australia with her three dogs, five chickens, grown-up children and husband. Karen loves the diversity and quirkiness of Australian wildlife.





## HATCH

HEIDI COOPER SMITH

- Covers a variety of unique Australian animals, including reptiles, birds, insects and monotremes, and their habitats
- Includes beautiful illustrations that contain lots of detail for kids to explore
- Features animals found in the Australian bush and even some city backyards, encouraging kids to go out and observe these animals and their behaviour for themselves

### Age range 5 to 9

What kind of animals lay eggs? Where do they lay them, and how do they look after them?

Meet some of Australia's incredible egg-laying animals. Starting at the sea, *Hatch* takes us on a journey inland and underground, to the treetops high above, and back down to a waterhole, till finally we reach the sea once more.

With detailed and vibrant illustrations, *Hatch* provides a glimpse of these amazing egg-laying creatures, the unique habitats in which they live and how they look after their young.



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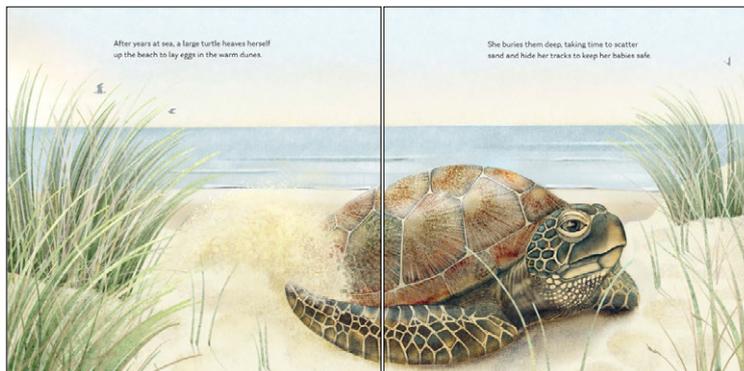


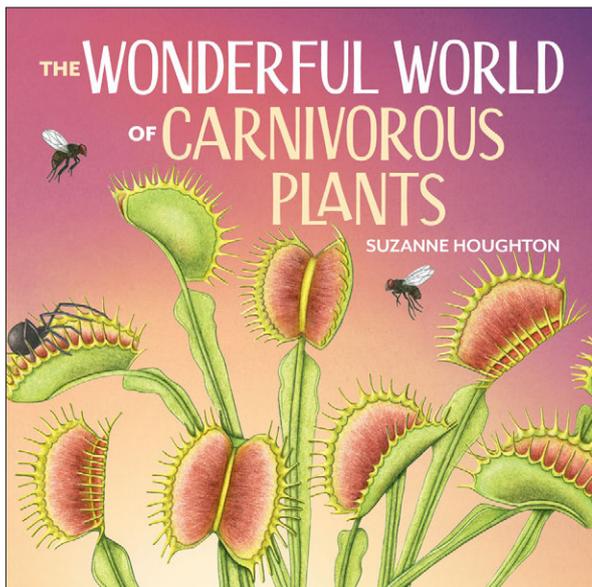
Albany Creek, QLD

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### About the author:

**Heidi Cooper Smith** has always held a love and fascination for animals, particularly those that could be found in her own backyard. Growing up in the bush on a diet of David Attenborough documentaries, she wants to help foster this appreciation in the next generation.





## WONDERFUL WORLD OF CARNIVOROUS PLANTS

SUZANNE HOUGHTON

- Discover carnivorous plants through stunning illustrations, fun rhyming text and amazing facts
- See how these fascinating species have adapted to enable survival in the harshest of areas
- Highlights the importance of carnivorous plants in our ecosystem and the symbiotic relationship they have with certain animals
- From the author and illustrator of *Wonderful Wasps* and *Where Are All the Christmas Beetles?*

Age range 5 to 9

Have you ever heard of a meat-eating plant? Or a plant that traps spiders and flies?

Welcome to *The Wonderful World of Carnivorous Plants*, where sticky leaves and slippery stems are just some of the fascinating ways some plants capture their food. Explore the unique features and adaptations of these plants and the important role they play in our environment.



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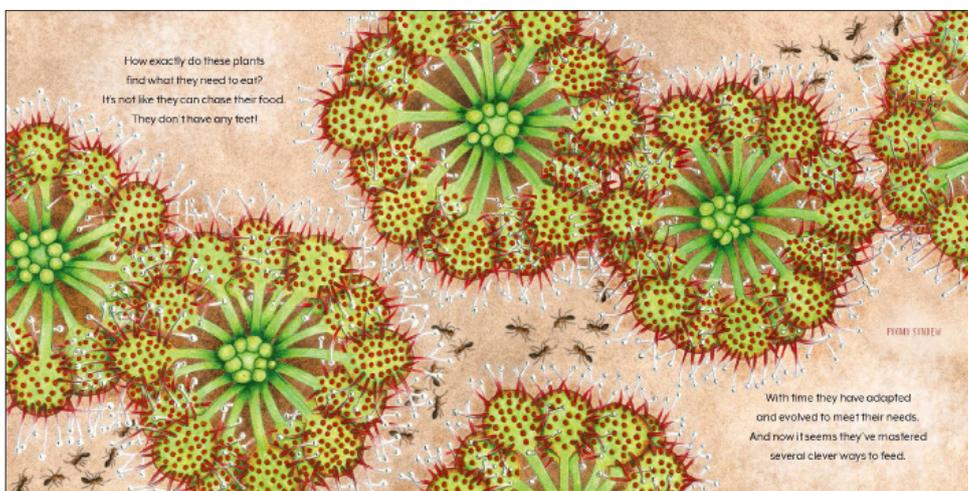
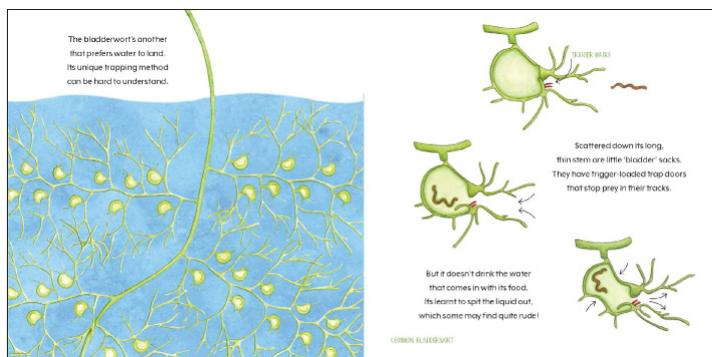
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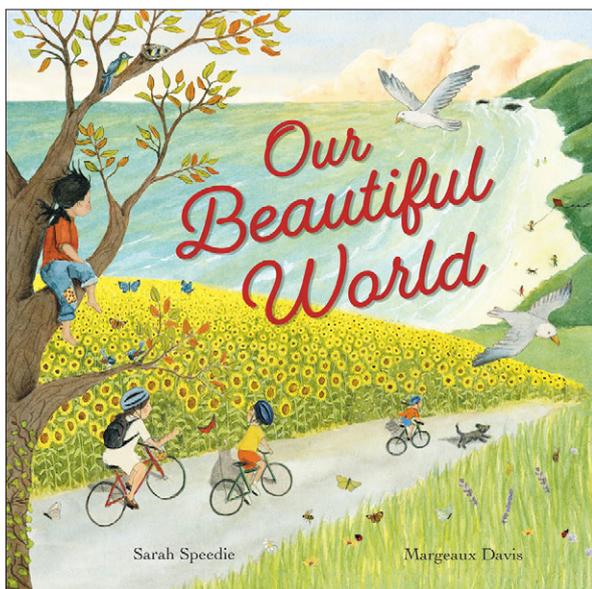
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### About the author:

**Suzanne Houghton** is an award-winning author and illustrator who is constantly fascinated with the world around her. She has published many books including *Where Are All the Christmas Beetles?* and *Wonderful Wasps*.





## OUR BEAUTIFUL WORLD

SARAH SPEEDIE, ILLUSTRATED BY  
MARGEAUX DAVIS

- *Our Beautiful World* is a stunning celebration of the many diverse cultures found on our awe-inspiring planet
- A great starting point for discussions about countries and cultures around the world
- An exquisite introduction to colours
- A sing-song quality to the rhyming text makes it a joy to read out loud
- Incredibly beautiful and uplifting illustrations by the wonderfully talented Margeaux Davis

### Age range 3 to 6

Join us on a colourful journey of discovery to every corner of our amazing world. From the vibrant red rocks of Australia, to the glittering gold dunes of Morocco, to the tropical blue oceans of Fiji, our earth is awash with a dazzling rainbow of natural colours. *Our Beautiful World* is a lyrical celebration of the many cultures and colours found on this awe-inspiring planet that we call home.



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Frontier | HB | 32pp | 240x240mm |  
AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99



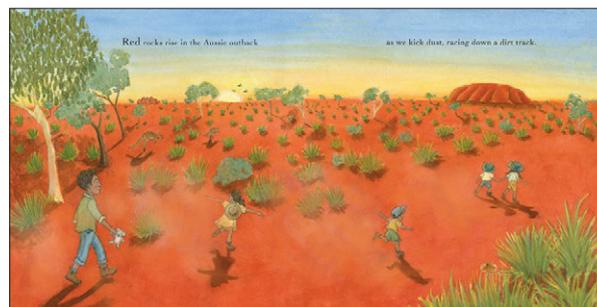
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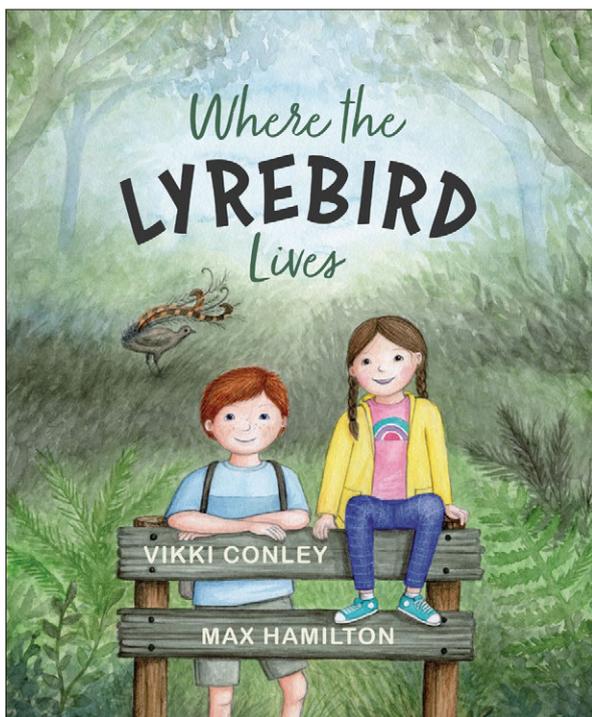
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(Melbourne);  
NSW north coast

### About the author and illustrator:

**Sarah Speedie** is a children's book author from Melbourne, Australia. She loves to write stories that uplift and entertain. Her stories are often inspired by her own life experiences, as a child who was fascinated by creatures of all shapes and sizes (she still is!), as an adult who loves to travel and explore our beautiful planet, and as a parent, seeing the world through the eyes of her own children.

**Margeaux Davis** is a children's book illustrator as well as a soft toy and sewing pattern designer. She has a background in environmental education, working as a National Parks Ranger. She spends her days drawing, painting and sewing from a tiny cabin studio in her garden, surrounded by macadamia nut farms and cow paddocks, on the far north coast of New South Wales, Australia.





**WHERE THE LYREBIRD LIVES**  
 VIKKI CONLEY, ILLUSTRATED BY MAX HAMILTON

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Introduction to Lyrebirds and the noises they mimic**
- **Celebrating intergenerational family time**
- **Promoting time spent outside in nature**

**Age range 3 to 6**

**\*\*Winner, Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) Book of the Year 2023, Early Childhood\*\***

*High in the mountains through the sleepy clouds. Deep in the forest past the chiming birds. Will we see the lyrebird? I don't know. Tip-toe, tip-toe.*

The beauty of the Australian rainforest and the magic of family-time come together in this lyrical and delightful story of intergenerational connection, habitat and adventure.



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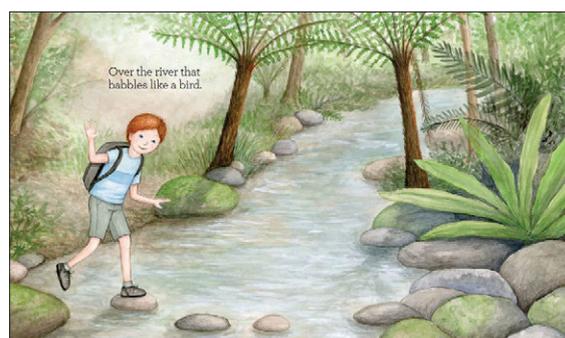
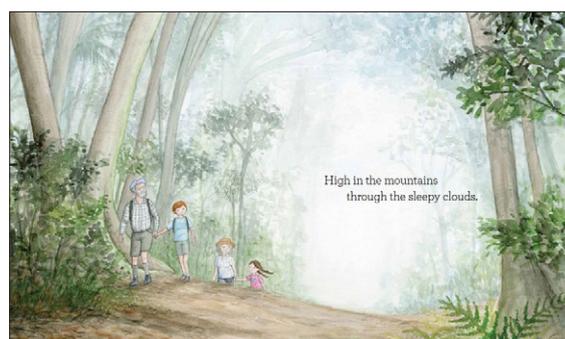


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**Naarm (Melbourne); Warrane (Sydney)**



**About the author and illustrator:**



**Vikki Conley** is a CBCA notable author with nine internationally published picture books. She has worked as a professional writer, photographer and marketer, with diverse communities across

three continents, for over 20 years. She writes children's stories that celebrate the spirit of wonder, adventure and freedom that she wishes every child could enjoy. Vikki lives in Eltham, Victoria.



**Max Hamilton** is an award-winning illustrator, graphic designer and most enthusiastically a maker of children's books. She enjoys noticing the little details in things, loves to get lost in the world

of illustration and stories, and through her art aims to raise awareness of the importance of protecting our Australian fauna. Max lives in Sydney.



**TAKING THE LONG WAY HOME**  
 JAKE HOPE AND BRIAN FITZGERALD

- A lovely portrayal of the close relationship between uncle, nephew and niece
- Entering into the spirit of play and adventure empowers the children
- Each spread conveys a sense of journey – the reader feels they are taking their eyes for a walk and going on a voyage of discovery
- Illustrations which give the protagonists wonderful personality, warmth and energy

Age range 3 to 6

Normally Zarah and her brother are collected from school by their dad, who rushes them home taking every shortcut. But today, Uncle Jerome is collecting them, and he takes them on 'The long way home'. Reluctant to go further than necessary, the children complain at first, but are soon caught up in amazing adventures, as their uncle gets them to use their five senses to conjure up a world of fun and imagination.

Birds become pterodactyls, ripples in the water become crocodiles...they soon realise that the best adventures only happen on the long way home!



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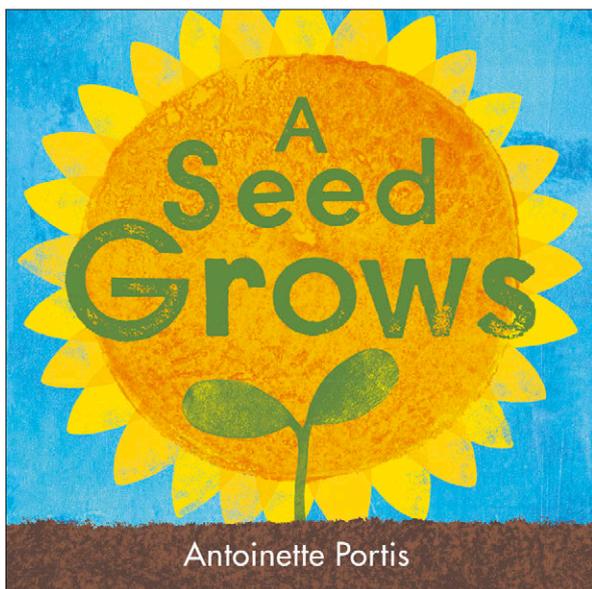
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**About the authors:**

**Jake Hope** is a reading development and children's book consultant. Alongside delivering training and public speaking on books and reading, Jake is an active reviewer and a passionate advocate for libraries.

**Brian Fitzgerald** is an Irish illustrator who studied at the National College of Art and Design in Dublin and won the Bologna Fair International Silent Book Competition in 2014.





## A SEED GROWS

ANTOINETTE PORTIS

- **Rhythmical text, simple words and bright clear pictures appeal to little ones, and older children will enjoy the information about the plant life cycle, and the activities**
- **Lively interaction between text and vibrant pictures make this a stimulating reading experience for all ages**
- **Info section, quiz and activities give added value**

### Age range 3 to 6

*'A seed falls, And settles into the ground, And the Sun shines, And the rain comes down, And the seed grows...'*

To understand how a seed becomes a sunflower, you have to peek beneath the soil and wait patiently as winding roots grow, a stalk inches out of the earth, and new seeds emerge among blooming petals.

With evocative and lively illustrations, *A Seed Grows* offers a close-up view of each step of this process and the ways in which flowers and seeds depend on other creatures, with a striking fold-out spread of a full-grown sunflower and additional material at the back of the book explaining the science of plant life cycles.

The final quiz and suggested activities are a fun way to re-inforce what has been learnt.



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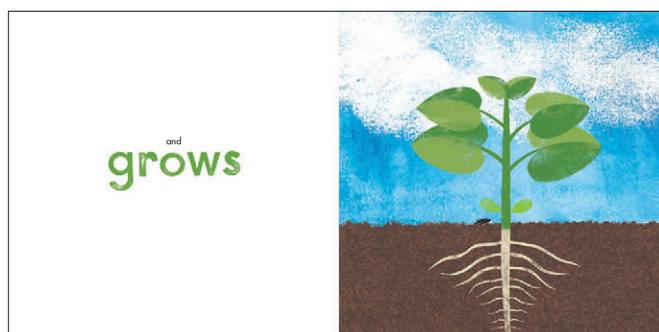
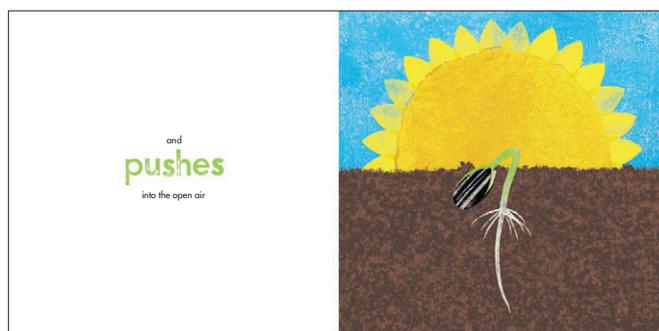
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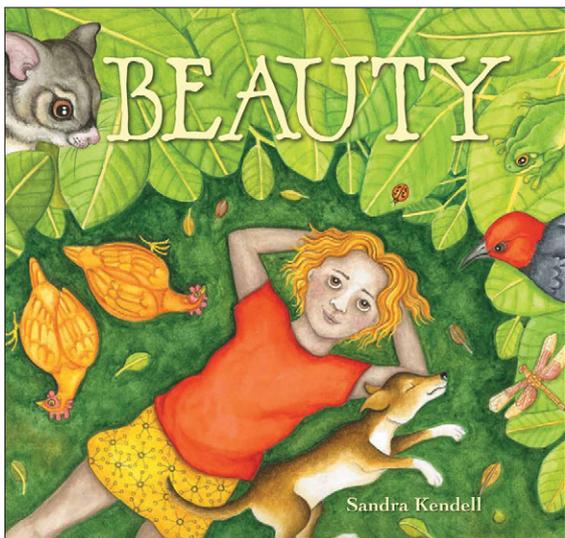


### About the author:

**Antoinette Portis** lives in California. She made her picture-book debut with *Not A Box*, winner of an ALA Seuss Geisel Honor, a *New York Times*

Ten Best Illustrated Books of the Year and *NYT* bestseller. She was a recipient of the 2010 Sendak Fellowship. *Hey! Water* won a Sibert Honor and *A New Green Day* was a Publishers Weekly Best Book of the year and NCTE Notable Book in Poetry.





**BEAUTY**  
SANDRA KENDELL

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Great classroom resource when looking at the symbiotic relationships of plants and animals**
- **Conservation theme**
- **Celebration of many forms of wildlife**

Age range 2 to 9

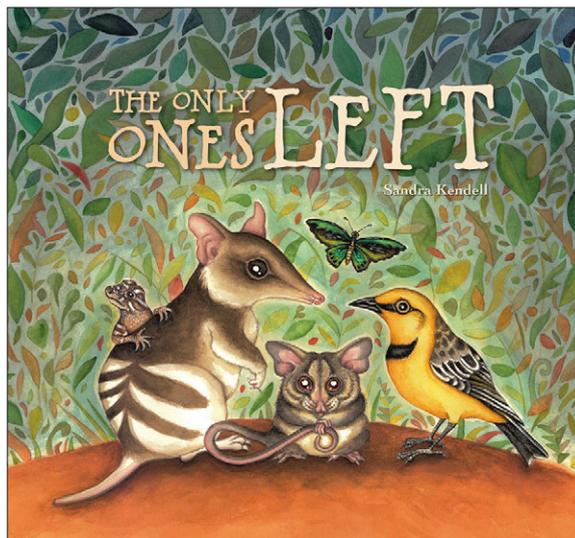
**\*\*Longlisted, CBCA 2020 Eve Pownall Award, Information Books\*\***

'Mrs Lee lives next door, all alone. She hates our tree'... but does Mrs Lee realise how we are connected to each other, the trees, the animals and the whole of the natural world?

*Beauty* is a story that celebrates the importance of trees, community and the relationships that nurture us all. Cleverly blending fiction and non fiction *Beauty* explores the role the Beauty Leaf Tree plays in the wider community of animals, insects and plants.



9781922998170 | April 2025 | Windy Hollow Books | PB | 32pp  
| 210x230mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN



**THE ONLY ONES LEFT**  
SANDRA KENDELL

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Ideal for the tourist market as it introduces Australian native animals and plants**
- **Great for the educational market as it has information on the animals and plants featured in the book**
- **Good introduction to non-fiction text for young children**
- **Suitable for lower and middle primary**
- **Visually stunning**
- **Colour illustrations throughout**

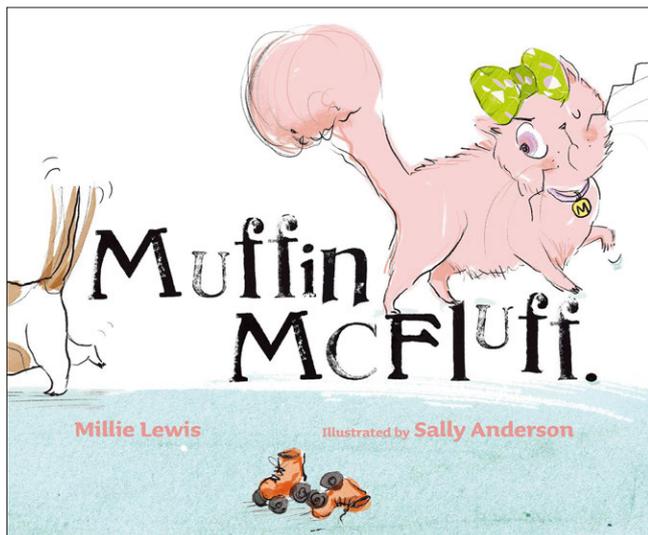
Age range 2 to 9

We share our Australian home with an amazing variety of native animals but some of them are in danger of disappearing forever.

What would it be like if we were the only ones left?



9781922998163 | April 2025 | Windy Hollow Books | PB | 32pp  
| 210x230mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN



## MUFFIN MCFLUFF

MILLIE LEWIS, ILLUSTRATED BY SALLY ANDERSON

- Follow the fun, villainous Muffin McFluff as she tries to rid herself of Hugly von Hound once and for all
- Potty humour sure to leave kids in stitches
- Fun, expressive, and dynamic illustrations elevate this adventurous and humorous story
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

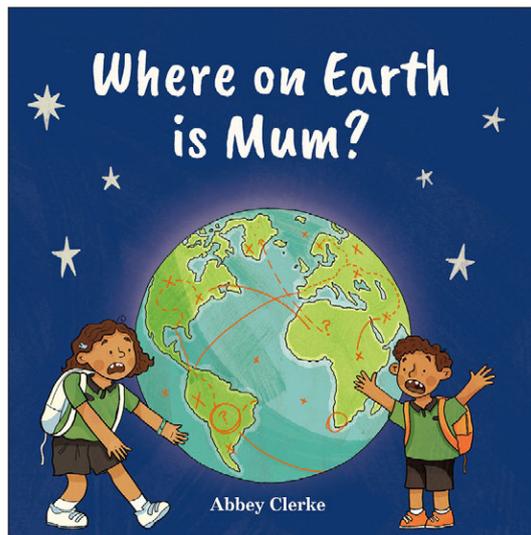
Age range 4+

Feline Muffin McFluff may look cute as a button, but beneath her pink fur, her desires are rotten. She wants to dispatch with poor Hugly von Hound...but each time she kicks him, he just comes right back round!

Expressive animal antics animate this hilarious tale.



9781760361761 | April 2025 | Starfish Bay | HB | 32pp | 210x255mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN



## WHERE ON EARTH IS MUM?

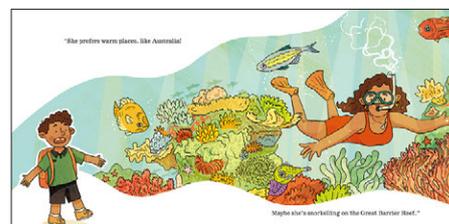
ABBEY CLERKE

- Tickle the imagination as this pair of siblings imagine escalating adventures for their mum to be on
- A fun and funny way to explain to a child that a late pick-up is nothing to fear
- The ultra-expressive character and art-style creates an immersive, exciting world – without even leaving the schoolyard
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

Age range 4+

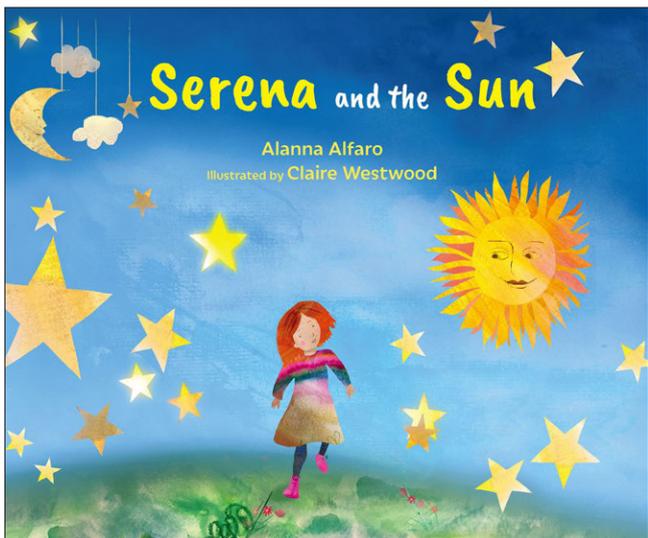
Mum's late. And she's NEVER late. She must be somewhere very far away. Maybe she's in Egypt, says Jack. How about Antarctica? suggests Evie. Or what about...on the moon? Hopefully, she'll be here soon...

A delightful story in which two siblings turn a mountain into a molehill – or a maybe-missing mum into a moon trip. The ultra-expressive characters and art style create an immersive, exciting adventure – without even leaving the schoolyard.



9781760362171 | April 2025 | Starfish Bay Children's Books | HB | 44pp | 254x254mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN





**SERENA AND THE SUN**

ALANNA ALFARO, ILLUSTRATED BY CLAIRE WESTWOOD

- A story rich in emotion and beauty
- An easy-to-comprehend allegory for seasonal depression
- Ethereal artwork perfectly captures the atmosphere and mood of the story through vivid colour and texture
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

**Age range 5+**

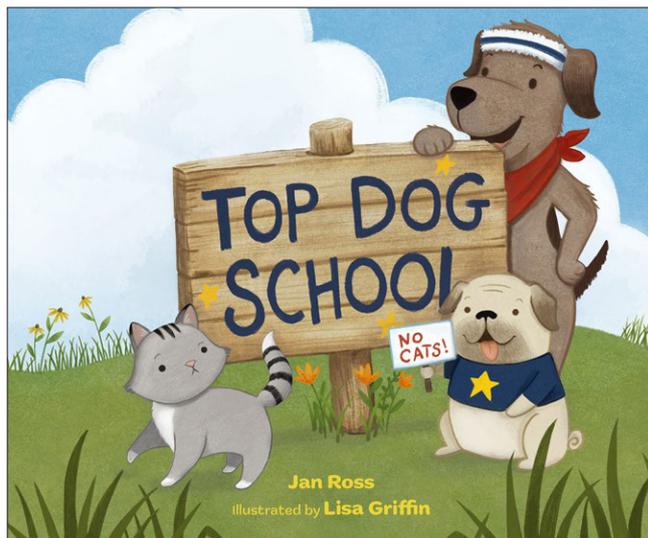
Serena and the Sun are good friends and play together every day after school in Serena’s garden. But as the days go by, the Sun plays and stays less and less, and soon he is no longer there at all. Without her friend, Serena is sad, so she seeks the help of the Wise Wind to help her find light for her days once more. However, can she get by without her friend?



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**TOP DOG SCHOOL**

JAN ROSS, ILLUSTRATED BY LISA GRIFFIN

- A rollicking rhyming story about a cat who can do it all!
- Promotes messages of inclusivity and diversity
- Expressive cartoon-style animal characters carry this dramatic story to its inspiring climax
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

**Age range 4+**

Jessie the Cat wants to join Top Dog School. He knows he is smart enough and strong enough – he just needs to convince the dogs, too!

Can Jessie work his way to the top despite his feline flaws?

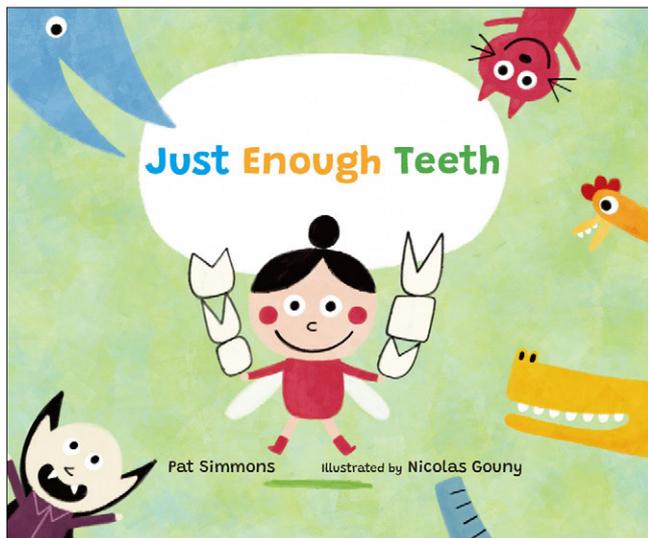
Expressive animal characters carry this story of triumphing through unfair adversity.



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### JUST ENOUGH TEETH

PAT SIMMONS, ILLUSTRATED BY NICOLAS GOUNY

- A fun, fast-paced story told in rollicking rhyme
- Children will be delighted with the unexpected twists and turns of Tooth Fairy's tale
- Charmingly illustrated characters bring this book to life
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

Age range 4+

Tooth Fairy has run out of space! She's collected too many teeth, and now she doesn't know where to put them. She decides to set up a tooth sale, but the teeth are too popular, and soon none are left. But her customers want more, and Tooth Fairy needs to find a solution! Rollicking rhyme and charmingly illustrated characters bring this fun tale about creative problem-solving to life.



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### FLORA'S ODD SOCKS

REBECCA RIVERS, ILLUSTRATED BY LAURA CORTINOVIS

- A warm and fun story that helps children to understand the importance of respecting, understanding, and embracing each other's differences
- Children will love seeing the endearing characters and following Flora's journey in this delightful story
- Beautiful and delicate illustrations that highlight the warmth and personality of this lovely story
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

Age range 4+

Flora is not happy about her odd-looking socks. One has spots and the other has stripes! Desperate to find a matching pair, she asks the sleeping animals of the forest to help her. Finding difficulty in her quest, Flora meets a plucky kangaroo, who helps her realise that having differences may not be such a bad thing after all. *Flora's Odd Socks* is a gentle, endearing story about accepting others and yourself, which features charming and elegant illustrations.



9781800360877 | April 2025 | Tiny Seed Publishing | HB | 40pp | 210x255mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN





## MUDLARKING

KATE LINDQUIST, ILLUSTRATED BY ALBERTINA NERI

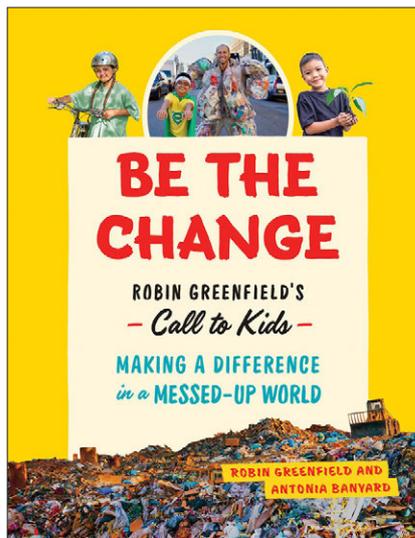
- Encourages a fun, ecologically-positive activity and brings awareness of environmental challenges
- A story of siblings coming together despite their different perspectives
- Flowing illustrations fully capture the spirit of adventure the story creates
- Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children

Age range 4+

Hugo and his sister Poppy enjoy taking walks around the lake, but Hugo is always stopping to look for rubbish. When it starts to rain, Poppy wants him to hurry up – and she can't see the importance of picking up rubbish. With pockets bulging, Hugo eventually sorts his 'treasure', puts it to good use, and convinces his sister of the importance of looking for litter. A beautifully illustrated, timely, and engaging story about the significance of looking after your environment and the small steps we can all take to achieve this.



9781760362263 | April 2025 | Starfish Bay | HB | 32pp | 210x255mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN



## BE THE CHANGE

Rob Greenfield's Call to Kids – Making a Difference in a Messed-Up World

ROBIN GREENFIELD, ANTONIA BANYARD

- **Now in paperback!**
- **High profile author: Robin Greenfield is an internationally acclaimed zero-waste environmental activist with 341k subscribers on YouTube and 816k followers on Facebook**
- **Empowering and uplifting: Greenfield leads by example and shows kids how small actions can make a huge difference in their own communities**

Age range 8 to 12

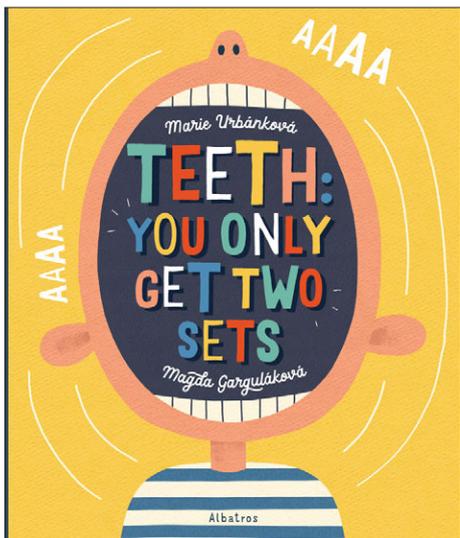
An inspiring, lively guide to sustainable living from YouTube star and zero-waste activist Robin Greenfield.

Features kid-friendly information on the highly popular movement towards zero-waste living, as well as information on the climate crisis and solutions.

Robin Greenfield loves this planet, and he's willing to go to extremes to show kids how our way of life is causing it harm. He's walked around New York City dressed in his own garbage, cycled across the U.S. on a bamboo bike (three times), and survived one year on food he foraged or grew himself. For Robin, it's all worth it: he brings attention to important topics like food and water waste; our dependency on fossil fuels; our piles of stuff (and the energy required to produce it); and our disconnection from community and the wider world.



9781771645935 | April 2025 | Greystone Books | PB | 96pp | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



## TEETH

You Only Get Two Sets

MAGDA GARGULAKOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY MARIE URBANKOVA

- Explore the world of teeth with sturdy, card stock paper pages
- Rest easy knowing that the content has been carefully supervised by a dentist, ensuring accuracy and reliability in delivering valuable information about dental health
- Catering to both kids and parents, this family-oriented book offers valuable insights and tips for dental care, ensuring a healthy smile for the entire family

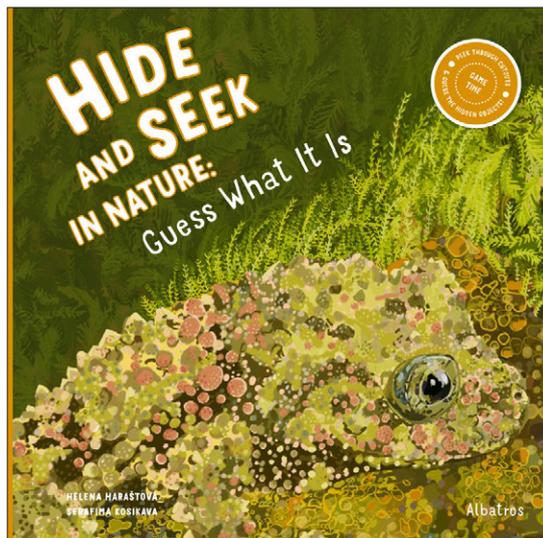
### Age range 6 to 9

A captivating journey into dental health with this children's book, featuring sturdy pages, dentist-approved content, and engaging visuals for a fun and informative exploration.

*Teeth: You Only Get Two Sets* takes young readers on an exciting journey through the intriguing world of dental health. This engaging non-fiction children's book explores everything from the origins of teeth to their internal structure. Children will discover the reasons behind toothaches, the uniqueness of growing only two sets of teeth, and the importance of early dental care. The narrative unfolds with a touch of whimsy, inviting readers to envision themselves with the teeth of a bat, adding a playful element to the educational adventure.



9788000072470 | April 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 22pp | 272x226mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN



## HIDE AND SEEK IN NATURE

Guess What It Is

HELENA HARASTOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY SERAFIMA KOSIKAVA

- Part of the *Kidding Nature* series
- Dive into the wonders of nature as young readers embark on a captivating hide-and-seek adventure, challenging them to uncover hidden objects, animals, and plants

### Age range 3 to 6

Embark on a captivating nature exploration with interactive cutouts and fold-out pages, unveiling the mysteries of perfectly hidden animals and plants in this engaging adventure for young readers.

In *Hide and Seek in Nature: Guess What It Is* young explorers embark on a nature-filled adventure, discovering the art of disguise in the natural world. Animals and plants, masters of hide-and-seek, challenge kids to uncover their well-camouflaged forms through an engaging guessing game. With immersive fold-out pages and cutouts, this interactive novelty format sparks curiosity, enhancing observational skills and fostering a connection with the wonders of nature.

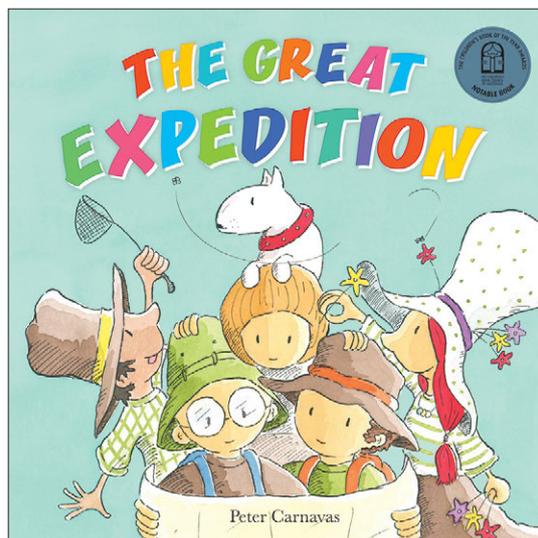
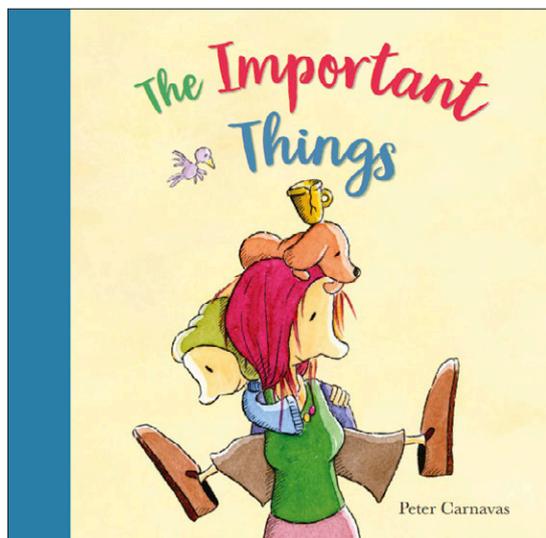
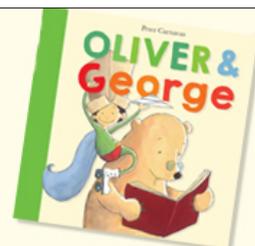
This captivating book not only introduces children to the playful side of nature but also offers a portable and durable design, encouraging on-the-go exploration. The interactive experience transforms nature discovery into an exciting game, unveiling the mysteries of perfectly hidden creatures.



9788000072883 | April 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 24pp | 221x221mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



**Peter Carnavas paperbacks**  
Back in print!



**THE IMPORTANT THINGS**

PETER CARNAVAS

- **New paperback reprint!**
- **A powerful story by award-winning author/illustrator, Peter Carnavas, depicting a boy and his mother with an empty space left by the absent father. Many children live with only one parent and this book gives them a tool to discuss how they feel about their families**
- **Children enjoy talking about the things that are important to them**
- **This book gives children opportunities to discuss what is important to them and why**
- **Stunning watercolour illustrations**

**Age range 3 to 6**

Christopher comes to terms with an absent father by celebrating the important things in his life. An insightful and perceptive story about remembering a father.

**THE GREAT EXPEDITION**

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATED BY PETER CARNAVAS

- **Back in print!**
- ***The Great Expedition* is a delightful parody about five children attempting to cross the park to deliver cake to Grandma**
- **Key themes are adventure, imagination and determination**
- **Quirky illustrations and playful text by award-winning author/illustrator**

**Age range 3 to 6**

On August 20th, a group of young explorers was charged with a dangerous mission. They were to travel across wild country to deliver a valuable parcel. The journey would be punishing. It would test the resolve of the brave young explorers. Most of all, it would provide us all with a pair of unlikely heroes to admire and remember for many years to come. This is their story.



9781921928079 | April 2025 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

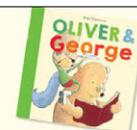


9781923145023 | July 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



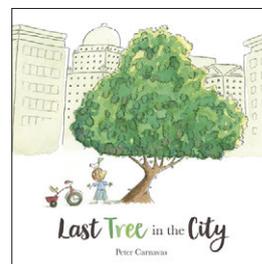


**Peter Carnavas paperbacks**  
**Back in print!**



**LAST TREE IN THE CITY**

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATED BY PETER CARNAVAS



- **Back in print!**
- **Explores how one person can make a difference**
- **Key themes include the environment, living in the city, and gardening**

**Age range 3 to 6**

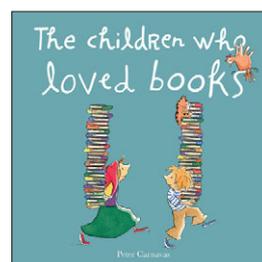
Edward is sad after he finds the last tree in the city is no longer standing. After some reflection, he finds a way to make things better. A poignant tale about the environment and the way children relate to its beauty.



9781922326935 | December 2023 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**THE CHILDREN WHO LOVED BOOKS**

PETER CARNAVAS



- **Back in print!**
- **Celebrating the fact that books bring us together both physically and emotionally**
- **Key themes are literature, family bonds and libraries**
- **Highlights how a family can be very happy with very little**

**Age range 3 to 6**

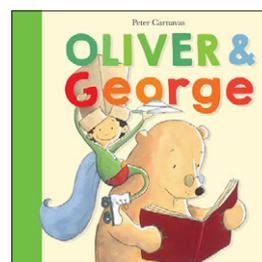
Angus and Lucy love books. They have hundreds of them. But when the books are taken away, Angus and Lucy's family soon discover they cannot live without them. A warm and moving celebration of books and the way in which they bring us all together.



9781923145115 | August 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**OLIVER AND GEORGE**

PETER CARNAVAS



- **Back in print!**
- **A humorous, read-aloud story capturing the relationship between a bear and boy**
- **Suspenseful page turns, catchphrases and joyous repetition**
- **Quirky illustrations and playful text by award-winning author/illustrator**

**Age range 3 to 6**

Oliver is ready to play but George the bear is busy reading.

Oliver tries everything to get George's attention.

What happens when a boy bothers a bear too many times?



9781923145047 | September 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



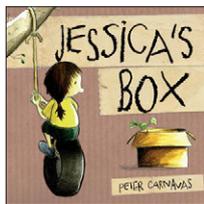
**Peter Carnavas paperbacks**  
**Back in print!**



**JESSICA'S BOX**

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATED  
BY PETER CARNAVAS

- **Back in print!**
- **Highly recommended for schools, especially those embracing integration**
- **Key themes include friendship, family support and confidence**
- **Explores the first day of school, making friends and school life**
- **Playful text and vivid illustrations by award-winning author/illustrator**



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**Age range 3 to 6**

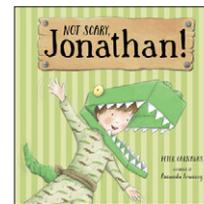
Will Jessica find a friend on her first day of school?  
Watch closely as Jessica reveals the contents of her BOX.  
Could this be the answer to her dreams of friendship?

9781923145481 | October 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp |  
240x240mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**NOT SCARY,  
JONATHAN!**

PETER CARNAVAS,  
ILLUSTRATED BY AMANDA  
FRANCEY

- **Back in print!**
- **Humorous story by award-winning author**
- **Key themes are imagination and family**
- **Warm, vibrant illustrations by talented illustrator**



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**Age range 3 to 6**

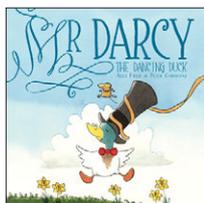
Jonathan loves to dress up and scare his family, but they insist that he is just not scary. What happens when Jonathan is too scary?

9781923145320 | November 2024 | New Frontier | HB | 32pp |  
240x240mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN

**MR DARCY THE  
DANCING DUCK**

ALEX FIELD, ILLUSTRATED  
BY PETER CARNAVAS

- **Back in print!**
- **The latest in the Mr Darcy series of books from author Alex Field and illustrator Peter Carnavas**



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**Age range 3 to 6**

Mr Darcy dreads the first sign of spring. Flowers blooming means only one thing – dancing season, and Mr Darcy simply cannot dance. Can Lizzy convince Mr Darcy to take a turn around the maypole?

9781923145566 | November 2024 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp |  
240x240mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$21.99 | DISC: GEN

**SARAH'S HEAVY  
HEART**

PETER CARNAVAS

- **Back in print!**
- **Peter Carnavas's books have been published widely across the world and have won many awards, including a Queensland Literary Award and the Patricia Wrightson Prize for Children's Literature at the NSW Premier's Literary Awards**



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**Age range 3 to 6**

*'Sarah knew the heart would always be hers to carry. She just wished it wasn't so heavy.'*

A magical story about a little girl's search for friendship and love.

Follow Sarah on her journey and let your heart get 'carried away'.

9781923145887 | February 2025 | New Frontier | PB | 32pp |  
254x254mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$21.99 | DISC: GEN

## SOL PLAYS THE WORLD

CHELSEY REIS, ILLUSTRATED BY MIRJAM SIIM



- **Helps children learn to deal with big emotions in creative, physically active ways**
- **Features fun facts about instruments from all over the globe!**
- **Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children**

Age range 5+

There are times when Sol finds his emotions to be overwhelming, so he turns to a diverse collection of musical instruments to find peace. Through exploring global sounds, Sol learns to express and manage his feelings in a creative way, and he develops an inner connection to people and communities from around the world. This calming story, with unique thoughtful illustrations, demonstrates the importance music can have on our emotions and the positive effect it can have on our well-being.



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9781760362232 | April 2025 | Starfish Bay | HB | 40pp | 210x255mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN

## MY ENORMOUS BOOK OF ANIMALS

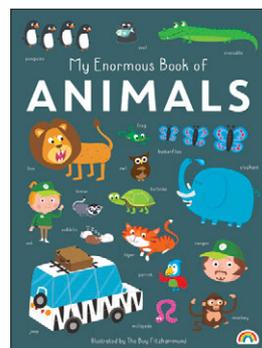
REALLY DECENT BOOKS, ILLUSTRATED BY THE BOY FITZ HAMMOND

- **Packed with different animals, each page being a different part of the safari park**
- **Bright, fun illustrations to engage young readers**

Age range 1+

This enormous book is the perfect introduction for your child to the animals of the world, as they travel through the safari park!

With hundreds of bright illustrations and simple first words, children will love to learn about the animals they discover as they travel around the reserve.



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9781784681722 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 16pp | 320x240mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

## MY ENORMOUS BOOK OF COLOURS

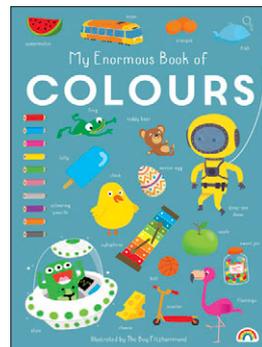
ILLUSTRATED BY THE BOY FTIZHAMMOND, EDITED BY PHILIP DAUNCEY

- **Packed with first words themed by colours**
- **Bright, fun illustrations to engage young readers**

Age range 1+

**\*\*Winner, Sainsbury's Children's Board Book Award, 2016\*\***

This wonderful board book introduces your child to the world of colours! With hundreds of bright illustrations and simple first words, children will love to learn about the colours around them as they grow up.



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9781784680770 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 16pp | 320x240mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**MY ENORMOUS BOOK OF EVERYTHING**  
REALLY DECENT BOOKS, ILLUSTRATED BY THE BOY FITZ HAMMOND

- Packed with first words and early-learning concepts
- Bright, fun illustrations to engage young readers

Age range 1+

This wonderful big board book is the perfect introduction to the world around us for your child! With hundreds of bright illustrations and simple first words, children will love to learn about everything they are discovering as they grow up.



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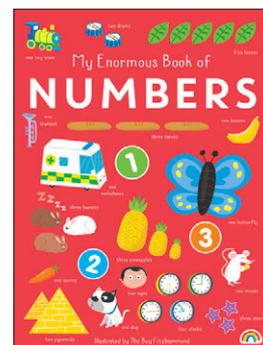
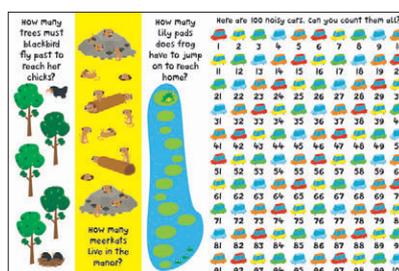
9781784680763 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 16pp | 320x240mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**MY ENORMOUS BOOKS OF NUMBERS**  
REALLY DECENT BOOKS, ILLUSTRATED BY THE BOY FITZ HAMMOND

- Packed with different number and counting activities
- Bright, fun illustrations to engage young readers

Age range 1+

This enormous board book introduces your child to the wonderful world of numbers! With hundreds of bright illustrations and simple words and counting exercises, children will love developing their early numeracy skills.



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9781784680787 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 16pp | 320x240mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**AROUND THE TOWN**

EDITED BY PHILIP DAUNCEY, ILLUSTRATED BY JO MOON

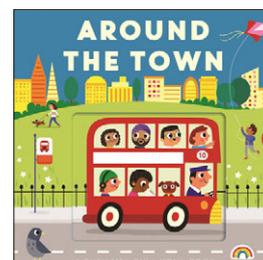
- Innovative novelty books with pull-out sections and back and forth slots
- Perfect, fun book to develop hand-eye coordination
- Illustrated by Jo Moon

Age range 3+

Learn all about animals, people, the seasons and the farm with this wonderful early learning series.

Cased board book with innovative raised and recessed pieces.

Fun rhyming text and thick whiteboard pages.



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9781784684471 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 8pp | 200x200mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

## UNDER THE OCEAN

EDITED BY PHILIP DAUNCEY, ILLUSTRATED BY JO MOON

- **Innovative novelty books with pull-out sections and back and forth slots**
- **Perfect, fun book to develop hand-eye coordination**
- **Illustrated by Jo Moon**

**Age range 3+**

Learn all about animals, people, the seasons and the farm with this wonderful early learning series.

Cased board book with innovative raised and recessed pieces.

Fun rhyming text and thick whiteboard pages. Eight titles in the series.



9781784684495 | April 2025 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 8pp | 200x200mm | AU \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

## LITTLE BEAR AND THE BIG HOLE

JENNIFER SEAL, ILLUSTRATED BY MIRJAM SIIM

- **A compelling narrative about experiencing grief and how to heal from it**
- **Explores the complicated feelings that accompany loss in a child-friendly manner**
- **Textured watercolour creates unique, charming illustrations**
- **Expand the reach of this story with Teacher Notes, featuring discussion prompts and fun activities for children**

**Age range 5+**

When Little Bear's father dies, a Big Hole appears and won't go away. Most other animals ignore the hole, but one day Squirrel comes and sits with Little Bear. With Squirrel next to him, it is easier somehow, and they talk about the hole together. And day by day, the hole grows smaller. Beautiful watercolour artwork underlines this transformative story of grief and healing.



9781760362324 | April 2025 | Starfish Bay | HB | 32pp | 280x215mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN

## ICONIC ARTISTS

A Celebration of the World's Extraordinary Artists

ILLUSTRATED BY DAVID LEE CSICKO, TEXT BY LINDY SINCLAIR AND DAVID LEE CSICKO

- **Colourful, stylised illustrations make historical and contemporary figures warm and engaging**
- **Biographies are written in a style that will appeal to younger readers, whether they are reading themselves or having an adult read to them**

**Age range 8+**

Bold, whimsical illustrations by David Lee Csicsko along with concise, engaging bios celebrate a diverse group of artists from the past 200 years. *Iconic Artists* features historical giants of the art world like Pablo Picasso and Henri Matisse alongside 20th-century artists such as Sister Corita Kent and Andy Warhol. Showcasing a wide range of artistic talents and exhibiting a wide number of genders, races, and nationalities, *Iconic Artists* celebrates 50 artists who have influenced the art world and collectively broadened its scope.

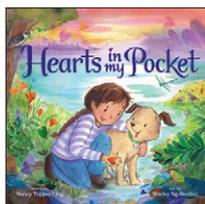


9781951963217 | April 2025 | Trope Publishing | HB | 112pp | 241x191mm | AU \$39.99 | NZ \$44.99 | DISC: GEN

## HEARTS IN MY POCKET

NANCY TUPPER LING,  
ILLUSTRATED BY SHIRLEY  
NG-BENITEZ

- For fans of *The Invisible String*, here is an uplifting and lyrical story about a young girl who learns to navigate her family's divorce



Age range 4 to 8

Leilah misses the time when her mom and dad were together. Ever since they divorced, her world and her heart feel split in two. She explores the city with Dad and walks Pepper at the park with Mom. She and Dad watch fireworks on the balcony, and Mom helps her make snowmen in the front yard. As Leilah moves back and forth between her two worlds, she wonders if her heart will ever feel whole again. Everything is just so different. Until one day she realises that love is all around her, and the love her parents share for her will *always* stay the same.

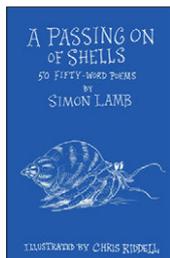


9781454949749 | April 2025 | Union Square Kids | HB | 40pp | 228x228mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

## A PASSING ON OF SHELLS

50 Fifty-Word Poems  
SIMON LAMB, ILLUSTRATED  
BY CHRIS RIDDELL

- **Hot price for back to school!**
- **Stimulating to a wide age of readers: a book with which to grow up**
- **A wise, warm and witty collection – humorous, touching and thoughtful**



Age range 9+

A dazzling collection of poems from an emerging poet, illustrated by Chris Riddell

Scottish poet Simon Lamb delivers a debut collection for children of fifty luminous poems, each written in exactly fifty words, with subjects ranging from family, identity and growing up, to the need for hope, the wonder of nature, and the very concept of poetry itself. Drawing on his experiences as a teacher, Lamb offers his poems as small nuggets of wisdom, warmth and wit to help young readers navigate their lives.

9781915252128 | February 2023 | Scallywag Press | HB | 112pp | 216x135mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

## WE KNOW WHAT YOU DID

DENISE BROWN

- *We Know What You Did* is a dark, gritty story with a glimmer of hope for a teenager who believes no one is rooting for her, in a world where many have already written her off



Age range 14+

Stay away b\*tch.

You weren't her friend. Friends have their friends' backs.

No one wants you.

We know what you did.

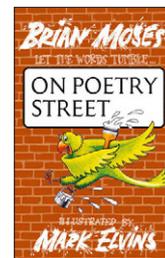
When Summer's best friend Cee dies from cardiac arrest after both girls have taken pills, the accusations on social media begin. Everyone believes Summer is to blame but she isn't...and she wants to clear her name. As the bullying intensifies, Summer grows closer to revealing the secret both families are harbouring. Who killed Cee?

9781913835378 | February 2025 | Hashtag | PB | 240pp | 198x129mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

## ON POETRY STREET

BRIAN MOSES, ILLUSTRATED  
BY MARK ELVINS

- **Hot price for back to school!**
- **Fifty-two entertaining poems to stimulate the imagination and get the creative juices flowing**



Age range 7+

Do you like stringing words together to see what they look like and what they sound like?

Do you have rhythms dancing in your head as you drift through the day?

Do you rhyme all the time while your feet tap a beat?

If you answered YES to all or most of these questions then you're pretty much hooked on words.

Now – together – let's take a walk down Poetry Street!

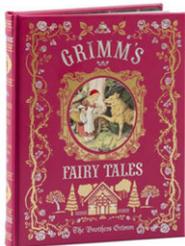


9781915252586 | May 2024 | Scallywag Press | HB | 120pp | 216x135mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

**Barnes & Noble Collectable Editions – Back in stock!**

**GRIMM'S FAIRY TALES**

Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition  
BROTHERS GRIMM,  
ILLUSTRATED BY NOEL  
POCOCK



- **For most children, reading the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm is an essential experience when growing up**

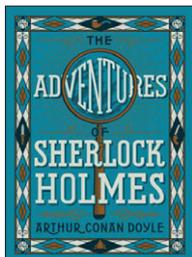
**Age range 8 to 12**

*Grimm's Fairy Tales* collects fifty-five of the best-known fairy and folk tales set down by the Brothers Grimm, including 'Sleeping Beauty', 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs', 'Little Red Riding Hood', 'Hansel and Gretel', 'The Frog-Prince', and 'Rumpelstiltskin'. This edition features more than twenty beautiful full-colour plates by Noel Pocock.

9781435158153 | May 2015 | Barnes & Noble Inc | HB | 352pp | 203x162mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

**THE ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES**

Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition  
ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE



- **For more than a century, Sherlock Holmes's adventures have thrilled readers**

**Age range 10 to 13**

This volume collects seven of his most challenging cases, including *A Scandal in Bohemia*, *The Red-Headed League*, *The Speckled Band*, *The Five Orange Pips*, *The Blue Carbuncle*, and *The Beryl Coronet*. It also features the novel *The Hound of the Baskervilles*. The stories feature art by Sidney Paget, who illustrated the Sherlock Holmes stories that appeared originally in *The Strand*.

9781435162051 | April 2016 | Barnes & Noble Inc | BG | 424pp | 203x159mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

**PETER PAN**

Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition  
J. M. BARRIE, ILLUSTRATED  
BY AGNESE BARUZZI



- **Three-dimensional paper-cut spreads enhance the classic tale of *Peter Pan*, and bring the enchanting story to life**

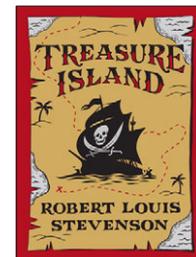
**Age range 8 to 12**

Peter Pan, Wendy, Tinker Bell, and the Lost Boys go on a grand adventure to defeat Captain Hook and save Neverland!

9781435154704 | September 2014 | Barnes & Noble Inc | HB | 200pp | 203x157mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

**TREASURE ISLAND**

Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition  
ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON,  
ILLUSTRATED BY N. C. WYETH



- **This action-packed adventure established the classic pirate story as it was written for more than a century afterward**

**Age range 8 to 12**

When he attends a dying patron of his family's boarding house, young Jim Hawkins has no idea that the man was once a pirate, or that the man's possessions include a map that will lead whoever has it to the island where the notorious buccaneer, Captain Flint, buried his treasure.

Jim and his guardians hire a boat to sail to the island, unaware that crew they have hired includes many members of Flint's pirate band, among them former quartermaster Long John Silver, and that they hope to claim the treasure for their own.

9781435160644 | June 2016 | Barnes & Noble Inc | BG | 272pp | 210x162mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN

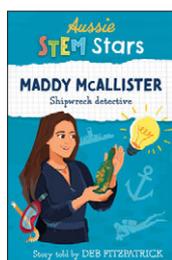


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**AUSSIE STEM STARS:  
MADDY MCALLISTER**

Shipwreck Detective  
DEB FITZPATRICK

- **Teacher's notes available. A perfect series for school libraries or home bookshelves**
- **Strong role model and inspiration to young scientists to dream the impossible**



**Age range 10 to 13**

Maddy's love of the sea and everything in it was nurtured by her beloved grandfather who would take her fishing and snorkelling in the ocean off Busselton, south of Perth.

Dr Maddy McAllister is now the Senior Curator of Maritime Archaeology at Queensland Museum Network and is based in the Museum of Tropical Queensland in Townsville. Her PhD research was on the notorious Batavia shipwreck of 1629 in the Houtman Abrolhos Islands of Western Australia.

9781925893823 | February 2024 | Wild Dingo Press | PB | 160pp | 198x129mm | AU \$15.99 | NZ \$17.99 | DISC: GEN

**AUSSIE STEM STARS:  
MICHELLE SIMMONS**

Quantum computing scientist  
NOVA WEETMAN

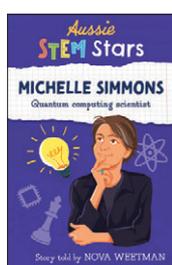
- **A perfect series for school libraries or home bookshelves**

**Age range 10 to 13**

Growing up in London, Michelle's interests frequently bumped up against expectations of girls which she pushed through, including her love of playing soccer and chess, and later, her passion for science and technology.

Professor Simmons is well-known for creating the field of atomic electronics. Since 2000 she established the Centre of Excellence for Quantum Computation and Communication Technology dedicated to the making of tiny atomic-scale devices in silicon and germanium.

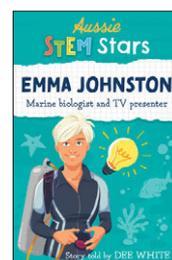
9781925893496 | October 2023 | Wild Dingo Press | PB | 176pp | 198x129mm | AU \$15.99 | NZ \$17.99 | DISC: GEN



**AUSSIE STEM STARS:  
EMMA JOHNSTON**

Marine Biologist and TV Presenter  
DEE WHITE

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- **Narrative non-fiction as a tool for educating children, proving that it can be as fun and interesting as fiction**



**Age range 10 to 13**

Emma Johnston AO FTSE FRSN is the Dean of Science at the University of New South Wales and President of Science & Technology Australia.

Johnston's research group at UNSW investigates the ecology of human impacts in marine systems, combining the diverse disciplines of ecology, microbiology and ecotoxicology to expand fundamental understanding and provide recommendations for management.

9781925893762 | July 2022 | Wild Dingo Press | PB | 176pp | 198x129mm | AU \$15.99 | NZ \$17.99 | DISC: GEN

**HIGH FLYERS**

15 Inspiring Women Aviators and Astronauts

ANN MCCALLUM STAATS

- **An inspiring collection of high-flying professionals**

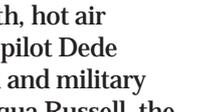
**Age range 12 to 18**

These 15 women fly outside the lines.

Soar beside Black Hawk helicopter pilot turned politician Tammy Duckworth, hot air balloonist Edgora McEwan, or medevac pilot Dede Murawsky. Higher up, meet commercial and military aviators such as the Coast Guard's Ronaqua Russell, the first African American female to receive the prestigious Air Medal for her rescue efforts during Hurricane Harvey.

Next, ride along with Tammie Jo Shults, whose story includes a harrowing catastrophic engine failure while in command of 148 people aboard Southwest's Flight 1380.

9798890680044 | September 2024 | Chicago Review Press | PB | 224pp | 216x140mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99 | DISC: GEN





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**LIKE A GANNET**

KIRSTEN EALAND,  
ILLUSTRATED BY DEB  
HUDSON

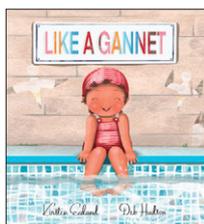
- **Empowering book for children who may lack confidence to try something new**

**Age range 3 to 6**

Little Francie feels capable and confident in the water, so when she watches her bigger cousins diving like gannets from the diving boards at the local pool, she wants to do it too. But can she be a gannet if she cannot even dive?

*Like A Gannet* is a story about aiming for the stars, or in this case the highest diving board. A fresh take on a first experience story, it depicts the joy of swimming and the universal excitement and apprehension of that first time on the diving board.

9781922081094 | October 2024 | Windy Hollow Books | HB | 28pp | 215x235mm | AU \$29.95 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



**WHITE NOISE**

RAELKE GRIMMER

- **Contemporary young adult novel exploring grief, autism, friendship and identity**

**Age range 13+**

Fifteen-year-old Emma is woken up by her dad's nightmares. Again.

On Friday evenings they go running at East Point Reserve to escape. Escape the ripples of grief that still chase them three years after her mum's death; escape Emma's autism diagnosis; escape her dad's work as an emergency room doctor.

At school, Emma has won a spot on the beach volleyball Sports Institute program. The spot that her best friend Summer desperately wanted. And Summer's family are moving to the other side of town. Their friendship has kept Emma going since her mum's death but now things are changing between them – and change isn't something Emma can outrun.

9781760802851 | September 2024 | UWA Publishing | PB | 300pp | 210x140mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99 | DISC: GEN



**BIRDY'S TALE OF A STORY**

SALLY SMALL

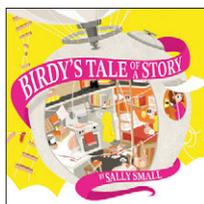
- **This is a delightful and imaginative story that inspires young readers to embrace their own imaginative powers**

**Age range 5+**

Birdy, a creative thinker, has an idea to write a book with George, her quirky sidekick, which takes the pair on a fun-filled, and surprising adventure.

*Birdy's Tale of a Story* is a book that encourages children to write, conceptualise or illustrate a story. The book's aim, with some assistance from our heroine 'Birdy' and her faithful Cavoodle 'George', is to help organise a child's thoughts and ideas when structuring a narrative. This book focuses on the basic elements that comprise a good story: setting, characters, problem, climax, and resolution.

9781760361907 | December 2023 | Starfish Bay | HB | 36pp | 250x250mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN



**A WAY HOME**

EMILY BREWIN

- **This is a big-hearted novel that explores the complexities of growing up with a parent who is struggling**

**Age range 13+**

Sixteen-year-old Grace lives under a bridge in Melbourne's CBD. It's cold and wet, but hidden. Safe, at least, until she can go home.

When winter drives her to the City Library one morning, Grace meets Louie, a weird kid with his own problems, and discovers a community piano. The piano reminds Grace of her mum, a celebrated pianist whose mental illness makes life a rollercoaster – and not always a fun one.

When Grace comes up with a plan to find the help she and Mum need, life begins to look up. But things don't work out as Grace imagines.

9781922858382 | April 2024 | MidnightSun Publishing | PB | 224pp | 198x129mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

