

LUCKY'S STAR

The Story of a Meteorite

MARK GREENWOOD, ILLUSTRATED BY LUCIA MASIULLO

- Creatively introduces the story of an internationally significant, Australian scientific event
- Introduces the Murchison meteorite, one of the most-studied space rocks in history, containing clues about the formation of the planets, the solar system and the origins of life on Earth!
- Features detailed fact pages to inspire deeper learning and understanding

Age range 5 to 9

On a quiet spring morning, something strange falls from the sky and lands on a small country town. Lucky watches as 'stars' rain down on the fields and farms, but just what are these unusual objects? And what will Lucky do with her own special find?

Lucky's Star explores the fascinating true story of the Murchison meteorite. The pieces of space rock that were discovered in Murchison, Victoria, provided clues about the origins of life on Earth. Fragments from the meteorite contain the oldest material ever found – stardust!



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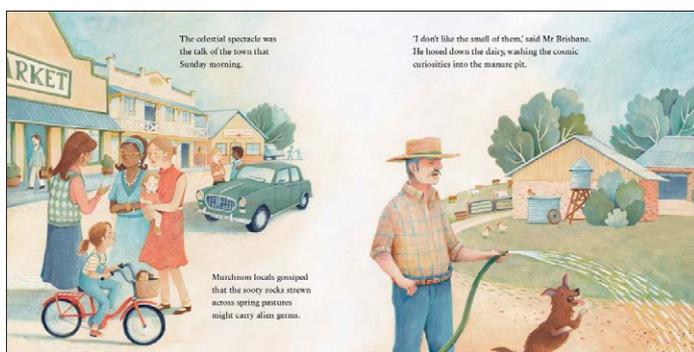
About the author and illustrator:

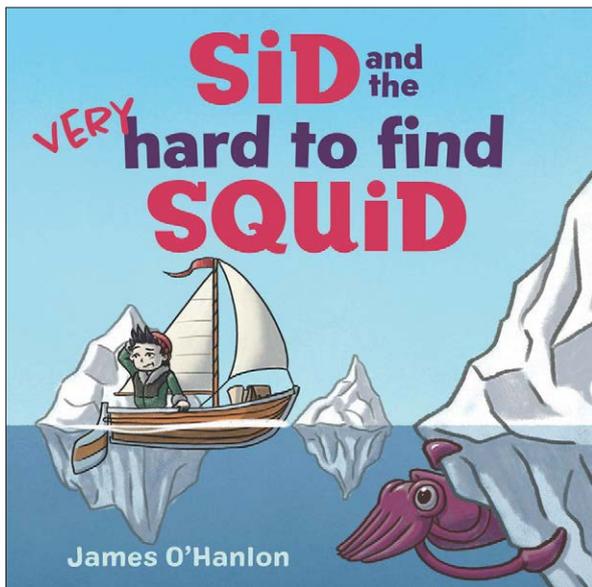


Mark Greenwood is a history hunter. His award-winning books examining history and multicultural themes have been published and honoured internationally.



Lucia Masciullo is an award-winning illustrator who loves to create whimsical characters using traditional techniques. Born and raised in Italy, she studied biology before moving to Australia where she pursued her passion for art.





SID AND THE VERY HARD TO FIND SQUID

JAMES O'HANLON

- A playful journey of exploration and unexpected discoveries
- Uncovers the secrets of the world's largest invertebrate, the colossal squid
- Fabulous illustrations featuring a cheeky colossal squid hidden in the pages

Age range 5 to 9

No one has ever seen a colossal squid in the wild, but Sid is determined to be the first. Join Sid on his quest to find this incredibly rare animal.

Along the way, Sid encounters other strange creatures until he eventually discovers...that sometimes the joy of exploration is more about the unexpected journey, and not the ending.

Look closely and you might just find a colossal squid too!



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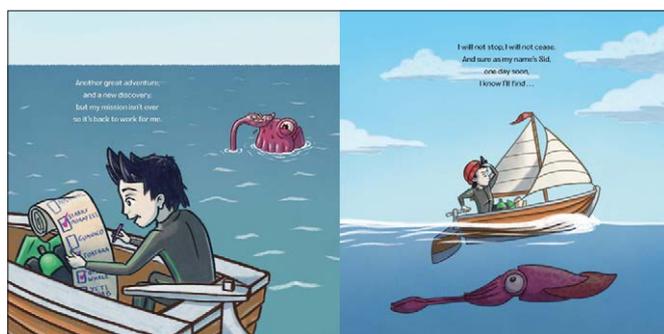
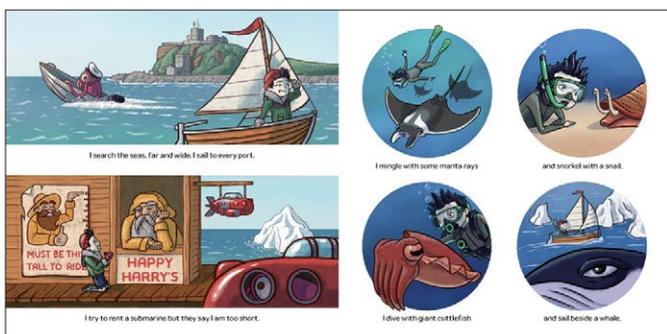


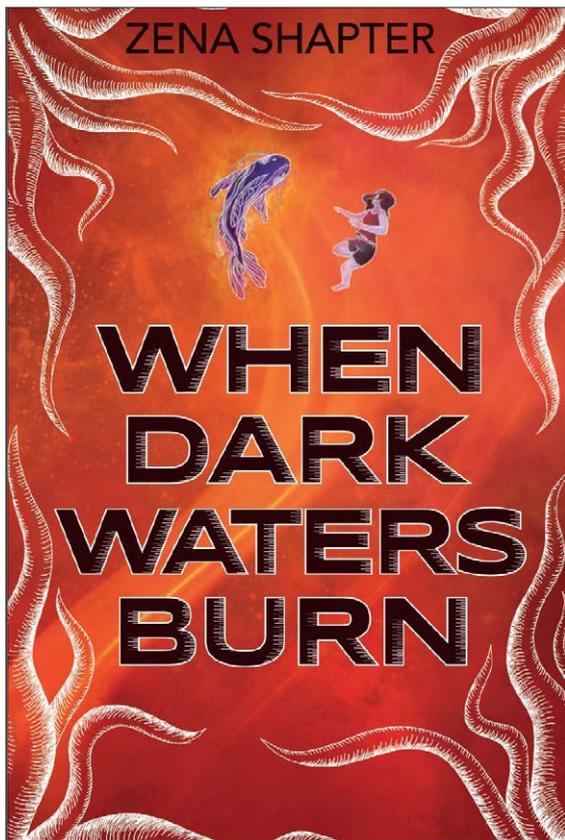
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About the author:

Dr James O'Hanlon is a scientist, writer and illustrator who has travelled the globe uncovering the secret lives of mysterious animals. If it is hard to find, and lacks a backbone, James has an insatiable desire to find out what it is and what it does.





WHEN DARK WATERS BURN

ZENA SHAPTER

- **Zena Shapter is a multi-award-winning author of *When Dark Roots Hunt* (Ditmar Award Finalist for Best Novel 2024)**

Age range 13 to 18

Stay out of sight. Stay hidden under the lake. Even as giant water-ants scout the surface, and deadly trees slop their hungry roots along the shoreline. For unrest surges in the swamps, getting closer and closer...Sala will only be safe for as long as their ship's location remains a secret.

But when a horrifying threat ignites close to home, and the lakeside hillfarms are forced to reveal a desperate truth, it unleashes a wreckage of terror and destruction on the world of Palude. What Sala fears most becomes irrelevant. All she can do is run, and make one irrevocable choice after another. If she's to have any kind of future, she must fight to accept the collapse of her past. Hiding from it was never an option.

Praise for *When Dark Roots Hunt*:

'Fresh, action-packed and utterly compelling. I loved it.' – Ian Irvine, internationally bestselling author of *The Gates of Good and Evil* series

'Filled with danger, tension, and intrigue. Blending fantasy, sci-fi, and a dash of dystopia... not to be missed. Four and a half stars (out of five)' – Jodie Sloan, *The AU Review*

'A refreshing breeze with bite.' – *Bookworm for Kids*

'An immersive, fantastical world with tension poised to snap at any moment. I couldn't put it down.' – *USA Today* bestselling author Dionne Lister, *The Circle of Talia*



9781922858627 | June 2025 |
MidnightSun Publishing | PB | 400pp |
198x129mm | AU \$21.99 | NZ \$24.99



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About the author:

Zena Shapter is a multi-award-winning author, high school English tutor and youth writing competition judge. Before writing *When Dark Waters Burn*, she interviewed scores of teenagers about what they wanted to read, and their concerns for the future. She was fascinated to learn they sought escapist stories that authentically represented their feelings of being unheard, fears about sustainability, threat of war, job instability... and Australian property prices! So she rolled all that into the thrilling world of Palude, a planet with carnivorous tree swamps, minimal land, few resources, and political unrest that resonates. To read more of Zena's incredible award-winning speculative and contemporary fiction, please browse the bibliography on her website at zenashapter.com.

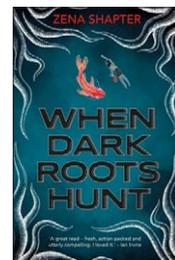
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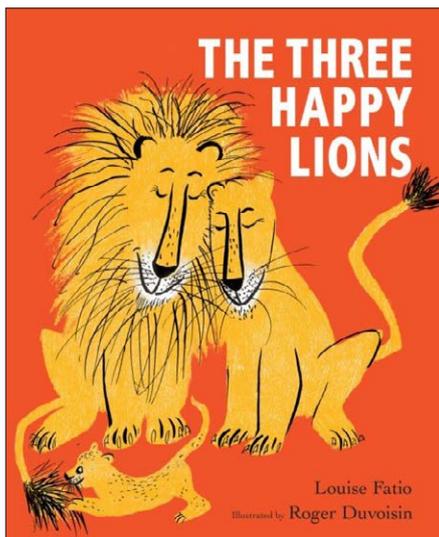
WHEN DARK ROOTS HUNT

ZENA SHAPTER



9781922858061 | May 2023 | MidnightSun Publishing | PB |
400pp | 198x129mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN





THE THREE HAPPY LIONS
LOUISE FATIO, ILLUSTRATED BY
ROGER DUVOISIN

- **Now in paperback!**
- **Classic artwork and longer text make this appealing to a wide range of ages**
- **A stand-alone title which is part of a well-loved series by one of the 'greats' of Children's literature**
- **Humorous look at different careers, with the comforting message that you should do what you enjoy most**
- **Charming and iconic cover clearly suggests the themes of 'a new family' and parenting**
- **French setting and occasional French words are great to introduce children the culture of another country**
- **Message about finding out who you are and being true to yourself**

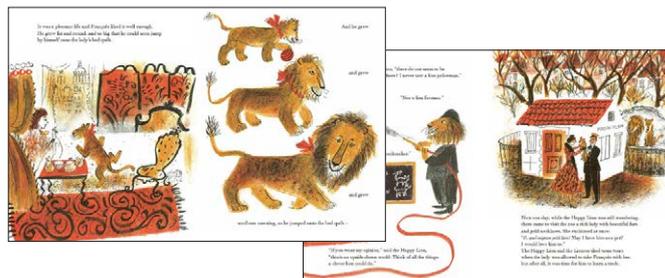
Age range 4+

'There was once ONE Happy Lion who lived in the zoo of a little French town. Then there were TWO Happy Lions, and that's better than one, because two is company. Then...one day...there were THREE Happy Lions...'

The proud parents are delighted with their new cub. But what profession could he have? How can they help launch him into the world?

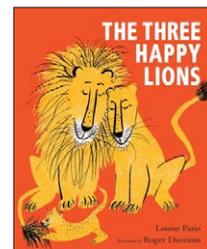


9781912650729 | June 2025 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 270x216mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN



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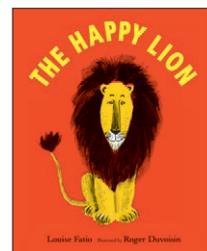
THE THREE HAPPY LIONS
LOUISE FATIO, ILLUSTRATED
BY ROGER DUVOISIN



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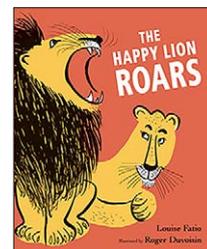
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THE HAPPY LION
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DUVOISIN, AUTHOR
LOUISE FATIO



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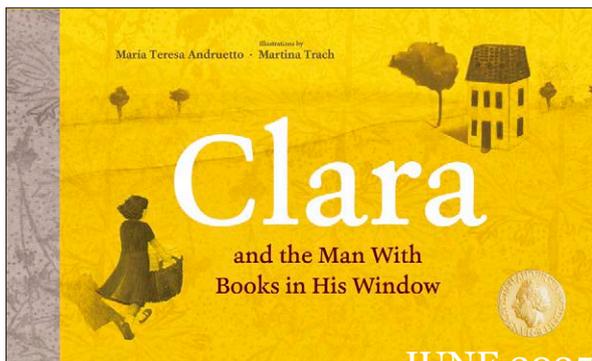
THE HAPPY LION ROARS
LOUISE FATIO, ILLUSTRATED
BY ROGER DUVOISIN



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9781912650422 | June 2023 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 270x216mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN



CLARA AND THE MAN WITH BOOKS IN HIS WINDOW

MARÍA TERESA ANDRUEETTO, ILLUSTRATED BY MARTINA TRACH, TRANSLATED BY ELISA AMADO

- This heartwarming picture book is based on the real life story of the author's mother and is a celebration of friendship and courage
- María Teresa Andruetto is a Hans Christian Andersen winner and one of the most important figures in Latin American children's literature
- Award-winning illustrator Martina Trach's stunning artwork makes the book a beautiful and unique object
- Developed by renowned children's publisher Patricia Aldana to bring outstanding books from around the world to the English-speaking market, by authors and illustrators who want to communicate their own cultural realities



GREYSTONE
KIDS

9781778402517 | June 2025 | Greystone Kids | HB | 56pp | 177x292mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99

DISCOUNT: GEN

About the author, illustrator and translator:



María Teresa Andruetto is a Hans Christian Andersen winner and one of the most important figures in Latin American children's literature. She co-founded CEDILIJ, where she worked for a decade as part of the teaching and executive team. She is married and has two daughters. She currently lives in the mountains of Córdoba surrounded by nature.

Martina Trach is an Argentine illustrator, muralist, and compulsive maker of drawings. She has illustrated a number of books, some of them non-fiction. One of her books, *Puberty in Motion*, was selected for the White Ravens – a list of the world's best books organised by the International Youth Library.

Elisa Amado is an award-winning translator who lives in Toronto.

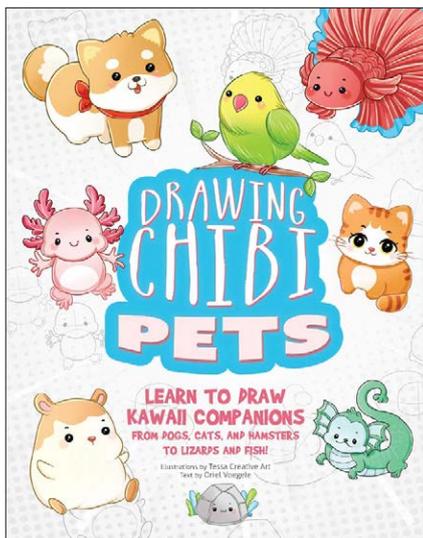
Age range 5 to 8

This is the story of my mother and her friend Juan, of how she discovered books and he the light of day.

So begins *Clara and the Man With Books in His Window*. In this beautifully illustrated book, set in rural 1920s Argentina, Hans Christian Andersen Award-winning author María Teresa Andruetto shares the true story of how her mother, Clara, the daughter of a poor laundress, meets Juan, a wealthy and bookish recluse who never leaves his house because he is afraid society will not accept who he really is.

A powerful tale about friendship and about the world available to us when we open a book, but also when we have the courage to be our true selves, *Clara and the Man With Books in His Window* was selected by the ALLJA and the Fundación Cuatro Gatos as the best book of the year. Now available for the first time in English, it is destined to transfix readers young and old.





DRAWING CHIBI PETS

Learn to Draw Kawaii Companions, from Dogs, Cats, and Hamsters to Lizards and Fish!
TESSA CREATIVE ART

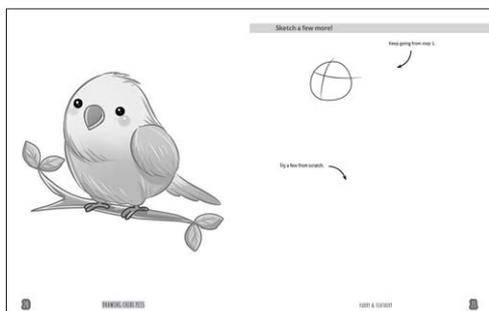
- **Drawing Chibi Pets will help budding artists build and strengthen creative muscles with every page, cultivating self-confidence in your craft and yourself**

Age range 9 to 12

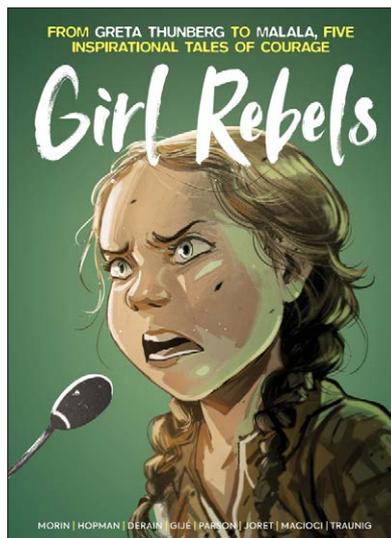
In *Drawing Chibi Pets*, learn how to bring your favourite anime and manga-inspired pets to life using step-by-step instructions perfect for beginners!

Take your drawing skills to the next level with *Drawing Chibi Pets*!

Whether you're just starting out or need a refresher, this workbook is a great tool to work your way up from easy illustrations. Begin with familiar drawings like dogs and cats and steadily move toward complex animals like lizards.



9781646047925 | June 2025 | Ulysses Press | PB | 128pp | 229x178mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$28.99 | DISC: GEN



GIRL REBELS

From Greta Thunberg to Malala, five inspirational tales of female courage
JEROME GILLET, BRETT PARSON

- **Features stories from notable and inspiring female figures such as environmental activist Greta Thunberg and Nobel prize winner Malala Yousafzai**

Age range 12+

The *Girl Rebels* graphic novel shares the extraordinary journeys of six young women who refused to be silenced in the face of adversity and have since become symbols of change.

Through rich storytelling and stunning visuals, readers will be inspired by the unwavering spirit of Yusra Mardini, Emma 'X' Gonzalez and the Parkland Kids, and Melati and Isabel Wijsen.

Each turn of the page will draw readers into the lives of these young girls, who never intended to become spokespeople or flag-bearers, but have now become inspiring icons and role models for thousands of young people all over the world.

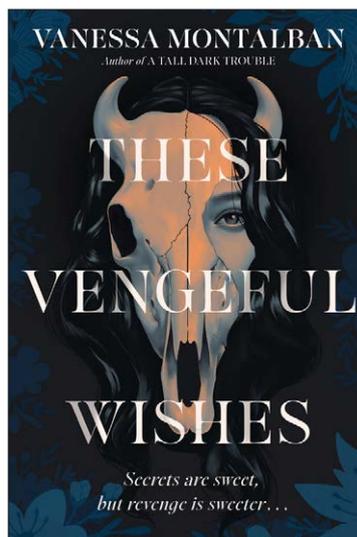
Carefully crafted by a talented team of international authors.



9781787743311 | June 2025 | Titan Comics | HB | 144pp | 258x170mm | AU \$34.99 | NZ \$39.99 | DISC: GEN



'Recommended Reading is swoon-worthy in every possible way!' – Julie Murphy, #1 New York Times bestselling author



'As the truth unfolds, readers will find themselves captivated, racing toward an unforgettable conclusion.' – School Library Journal

RECOMMENDED READING

PAUL COCCIA

- While queer romance has found a robust audience, it's rare to see one starring a protagonist like Bobby, who is fat, queer, and unapologetic, with the wit of Austen's *Emma* and the flair of *Clueless*' Cher
- Filled with the humour and joy of *Red, White and Royal Blue* and *Heartstopper*, Bobby's journey to love will resonate with anyone who has ever questioned if they were worthy based on their physical appearance

Age range 12+

Curvaceous, clever, and an avid reader, seventeen-year-old Bobby Ashton never misses a main character moment. So when it comes to asking out his crush, he plans a romantic gesture grand enough to go down in local history. Unfortunately, though, his extensive knowledge of every rom-com trope ever doesn't prepare him for how tragically he misreads the situation. Suddenly Bobby's very public romantic gesture turns into an ordeal so embarrassing it could be a villain origin story.

Having masterfully shattered every plan for his perfect summer before college, Bobby's last resort is working at his uncle's sleepy bookstore. Then a plot twist Bobby never saw coming walks through the door in the form of Luke, an unfairly attractive and staunchly anti-romantic lifeguard.



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9781638931492 | June 2025 | Zando Young Readers | HB | 320pp | 209x139mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

THESE VENGEFUL WISHES

VANESSA MONTALBAN

- Vanessa Montalban has received glowing reviews from a 'captivating debut' (*Publisher's Weekly*) and 'utterly bewitching' (*Kirkus Reviews*) to a starred review proclaiming 'readers will ugly cry' (*School Library Journal*)
- Inspired by Nicaraguan folklore around La Cegua, a myth that has yet to be told in YA, *These Vengeful Wishes* delivers intriguing worldbuilding and magic through a feminist retelling and distinctive cultural lens about the price of vengeance

Age range 14+

A vengeful female spirit with a thirst for justice ignites a teen girl's rage in this new YA horror.

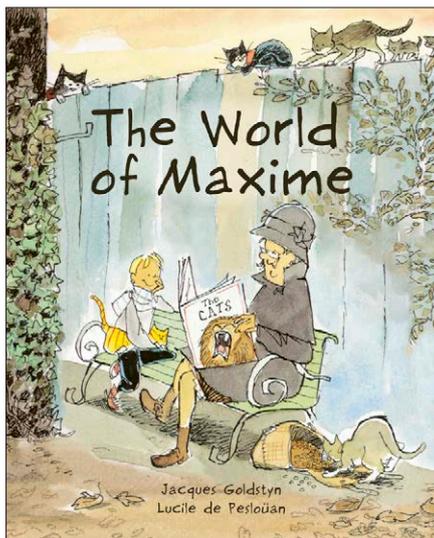
When her stepfather is arrested, aspiring artist Ceci moves back to her mother's hometown of Santa Aguas, an eccentric small town steeped in the legend of La Cegua, the specter of a wronged witch who appears on lonely roads at night, luring untrustworthy men to their deaths.

Ceci and her mother take up residence in the abandoned manor of the Sevilla family, rumoured to have been cursed by La Cegua, where she begins to uncover a past connected to her mother. The more she learns of the Sevillas, the more Ceci finds herself forming a strange affinity with the feared Cegua, who she suspects is the one inspiring her paintings of a mysterious door in the forest.



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THE WORLD OF MAXIME

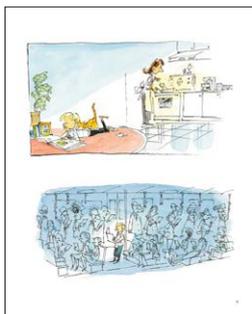
LUCILE DE PESLOÛAN, ILLUSTRATED BY JACQUES GOLDSTYN, TRANSLATED BY HELEN MIXTER

- **Jacque Goldstyn is a celebrated illustrator and political cartoonist, who has won the Governor General's Award and Le Grand Prix du journalisme indépendant for editorial illustration**
- **The perfect book to inspire self-confidence and celebrate friendships in our communities**

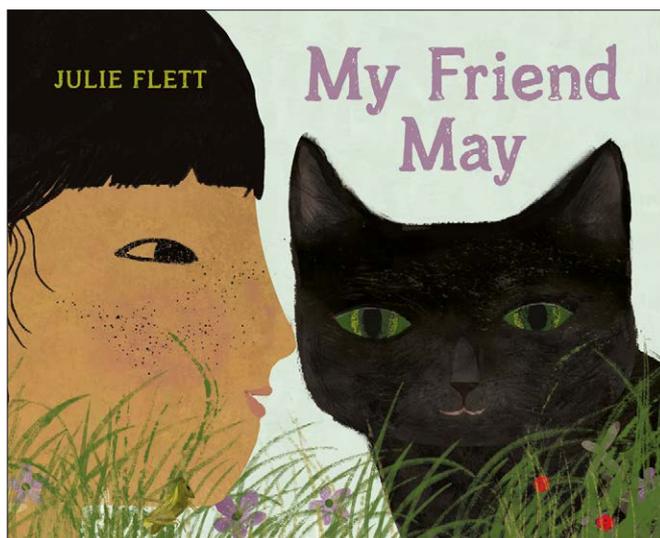
Age range 7 to 10

Maxime is ten years old. Her favourite things are her books and cats – especially her own cat, Turmeric. Like Matilda, the heroine of her favourite book, she feels different. She wouldn't mind being like other kids but they make so much noise, it hurts her ears. So, her friends are the characters in her books, and her cat. If she were brave enough, she would talk to the new girl at school, who carries a copy of Matilda in her book bag.

One day, she finds some mysterious bowls in the alley behind her house. She dresses up like a detective in order to investigate and meets an older woman, Catamou, who feeds the neighbourhood's stray cats. Soon enough, the two become friends. Maxime confides in Catamou, who encourages her to introduce herself to the new girl at school.



9781778400544 | June 2025 | Greystone Kids | HB | 112pp | 241x190mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



MY FRIEND MAY

JULIE FLETT

- **Julie Flett is a celebrated Cree-Métis author and illustrator whose previous books, including *Still This Love Goes On*, *We All Play*, *Birdsong*, and *Let's Go!* have received many awards and starred reviews**
- **The book asks readers to share their own cat stories and invites children to use their critical thinking skills and connect with the book on a deeper level**
- **Celebrates friendship, community and the playful nature of cats**

Age range 4 to 8

From the winner of the *New York Times* Best Illustrated Book Prize and the American Indian Youth Literature Award

Margaux and her cat May became friends when Margaux was just six years old. They grew up together, sharing countless memories along the way. But one day, May is late coming home. Where is May? Is she under the porch? Maybe on the roof?

Margaux's nitôsis (the Cree word for auntie) helps search for May in the tall grass. But soon nitôsis needs to leave: she's moving away to the big city, and has to pack her things into boxes. Margaux helps nitôsis, but she can't take her mind off May. Will she ever return? nitôsis is worried, too. But little do they know, May has a surprise in store for both of them!



9781778401718 | June 2025 | Greystone Kids | HB | 40pp | 228x279mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

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A JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH

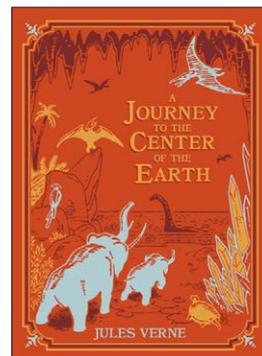
Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition

JULES VERNE

- **This edition of Verne's novel features more than 50 full-page illustrations by the distinguished artist Édouard Rio**

Age range 10 to 13

Accompanied by his nephew Harry and his guide Hans, Professor Von Hardwigg follows directions in a coded message left by sixteenth-century alchemist Arne Saknussemm to the crater of the volcano Sneffels. There they descend into a subterranean world that is home to marvels from the prehistoric past that could never exist in the world above ground. One of his styled 'extraordinary voyages,' Jules Verne's *Journey to the Center of the Earth* is a masterpiece of adventure that has never been out of print since it was first published in French in 1864.



9781435144736 | July 2017 | Barnes & Noble Inc | HB | 384pp | 203x159mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

GRIMM'S FAIRY TALES

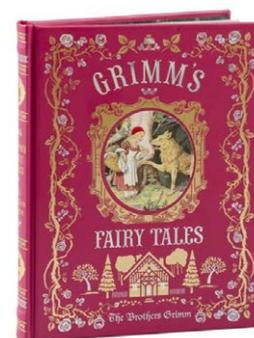
Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition

BROTHERS GRIMM, JAKOB GRIMM, WILHELM GRIMM, ILLUSTRATED BY NOEL POCOCK

- **Features classic illustrations, an elegant bonded-leather binding, distinctive gilt edging, and a ribbon bookmark**

Age range 8 to 12

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

Barnes & Noble Collectible Classics: Children's Edition

FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT, ILLUSTRATED BY ROBERT INGPEN

- **This illustrated edition, with full-colour plates by Charles Robinson, features an elegant bonded-leather binding, a satin-ribbon bookmark, distinctive gilded edging, and decorative endpapers**

Age range 10+

On the grounds of Misselthwaite, her Uncle Archibald's estate near the Yorkshire moors, nine-year-old Mary Lennox finds a walled-in garden that has been locked securely for years. With the help of Dickon Sowerby, a young local boy who can charm animals, Mary cultivates the garden, an experience that both improves her health and raises her spirits. Nurtured with love and tenderness, the secret garden proves it has the power to heal the heart.



9781435158184 | July 2015 | Barnes & Noble Inc | BG | 304pp | 203x159mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

Happy Mother's Day
11 May 2025

THE BEST MUM

PENNY HARRISON, ILLUSTRATED BY SHARON DAVEY

- A beautiful celebration of mums everywhere
- Teaches children to appreciate all the things their mums do for them
- Gorgeous illustrations by Sharon Davey depict a diverse cast of mums

Age range 3 to 6

There are so many AMAZING mums in the world: the chefs, the singers, the athletes. But every mum does one special thing that makes her The Best Mum. What makes YOUR mum the BEST mum?



9781922326225 | April 2021 | New Frontier | HB | 32pp | 254x254mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

MARVELLOUS MUMMY

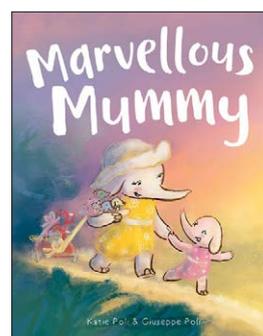
KATIE POLI, GIUSEPPE POLI

- The perfect book for children and mothers to share this Mother's Day
- Gorgeous watercolour illustrations
- A joyous book that celebrates mums everywhere

Age range 3+

My mummy is cuddly and snuggly and warm. Mums can be funny and friendly and gentle and strong...all in one day!

This sweet and simple picture book will delight mums and children everywhere.



9781925594584 | May 2019 | New Frontier | PB | 24pp | 280x250mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN

PHYLLIS & GRACE

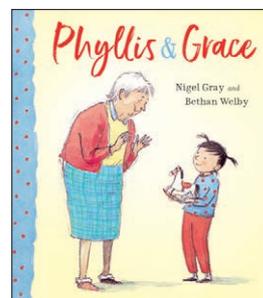
NIGEL GRAY, BETHAN WELBY

- A deeply touching story of friendship rooted in everyday life full of empathy and humour
- Nigel Gray is the author of many much-loved and award-winning picture books, including *I'll Take You to Mrs Cole*

Age range 3+

The moving story of how a little girl befriends her elderly neighbour who has dementia.

Grace is a little girl; Phyllis is the old lady next door. Phyllis lives alone and her memory is fading, but that doesn't stop Grace from liking her. They find that, despite the gap in their ages, they have much in common and a moving and enduring friendship is born.



9781912650514 | April 2022 | Scallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 280x240mm | AU \$24.99 | NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN

Happy Mother's Day
11 May 2025

GRANNY PIP GROWS FRUIT

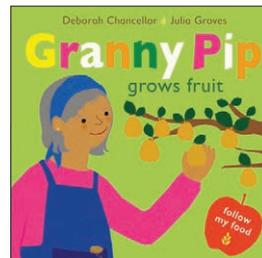
DEBORAH CHANCELLOR, ILLUSTRATED BY JULIA GROVES

- **The fourth in a stylish, narrative non-fiction collection to help children understand and appreciate where their food comes from**
- **Introduces the topics of sustainability and environmental awareness and supports SDGs**

Age range 3+

Being able to buy fruit is something we take for granted, but what if we had to grow our own? A little girl helps Granny Pip as she plants fruit bushes, feeds them with fertiliser, prunes and then harvests. Growing fruit is hard work, but eating it is delicious! The fourth title in the *Follow My Food* series about where our food comes from and how it's produced, with themes of sustainability and animal welfare.

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