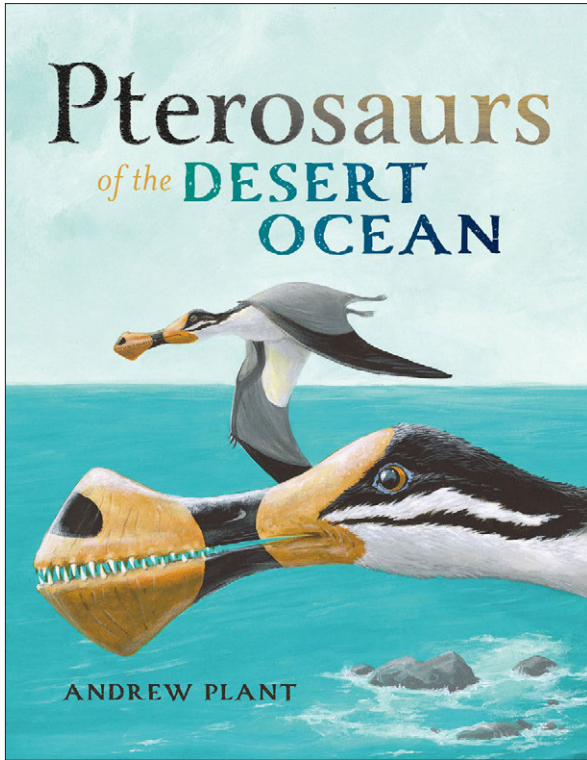


**'This book is a treasure for young readers and future palaeontologists, offering a glimpse into the extraordinary animals that once called Australia home. With his masterful illustrations, Andrew Plant has transformed ancient fossils into unforgettable creatures.'** – Adele Pentland, palaeontologist



**PTEROSAURS OF THE DESERT OCEAN**  
ANDREW PLANT

- A fascinating narrative non-fiction story featuring Australia's pterosaurs, dinosaurs and prehistoric marine reptiles
- Follows the journey of 'Ferrodraco', an Australian pterosaur with a wingspan of over four metres
- Includes exceptional and detailed colour illustrations
- Contains information pages covering the species, location and habitats explored in the story

**Age range 6 to 12**

A pterosaur glides over a desert ocean.

Taking flight across prehistoric Australia, she searches for her family along the shores of the great Eromanga Sea. Follow her journey and discover a time when dinosaurs dominated the land and pterosaurs ruled the skies.

Step back over 100 million years in this engaging and exquisitely illustrated book by Andrew Plant.

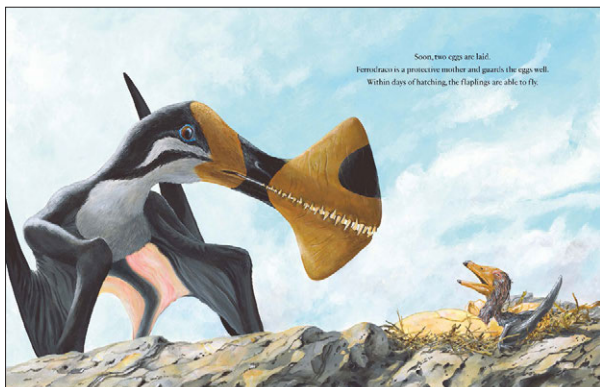
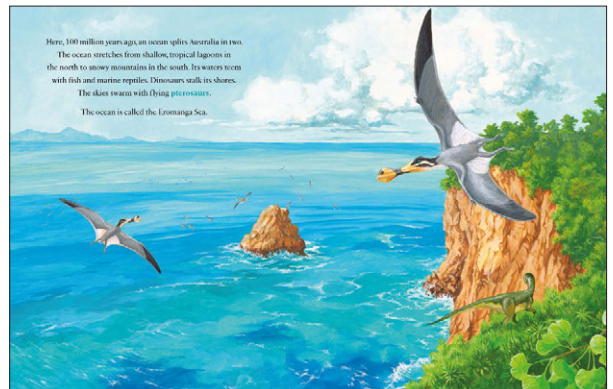


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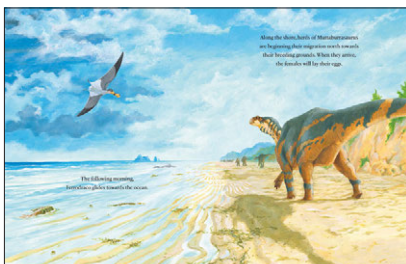
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**About the author:**

**Andrew Plant** trained as a zoologist, but has been an illustrator and author for over 30 years. He loves creating stories about animals, whether they are alive or extinct.





## I'M NOT AFRAID OF SPIDERS

CAITLIN HENDERSON, ILLUSTRATED BY ANNIE HENDERSON

- Features beautiful illustrations of spiders from around the world, introducing some of our most amazing species
- Explains why spiders look or behave the way they do, helping to address common fears
- Written by award-winning wildlife photographer and spider expert Caitlin Henderson
- Presents spiders in an accurate but non-threatening way
- Includes a glossary and further in-depth information on spiders for curious children

Age range 5 to 9

I'm not afraid of spiders!

Come along on an exploration of the wonderful world of spiders. Discover how there's nothing to fear about these beautiful but often misunderstood animals. Meet spiders that jump, spiders that sparkle and spiders that look like twigs. Be amazed by their fascinating features and different shapes, colours and sizes.

Reading level varies from child to child, but we recommend this book for ages 5 to 9.



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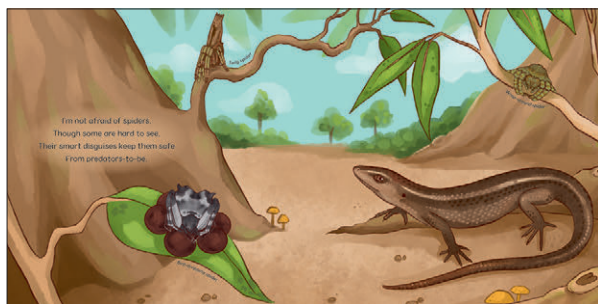
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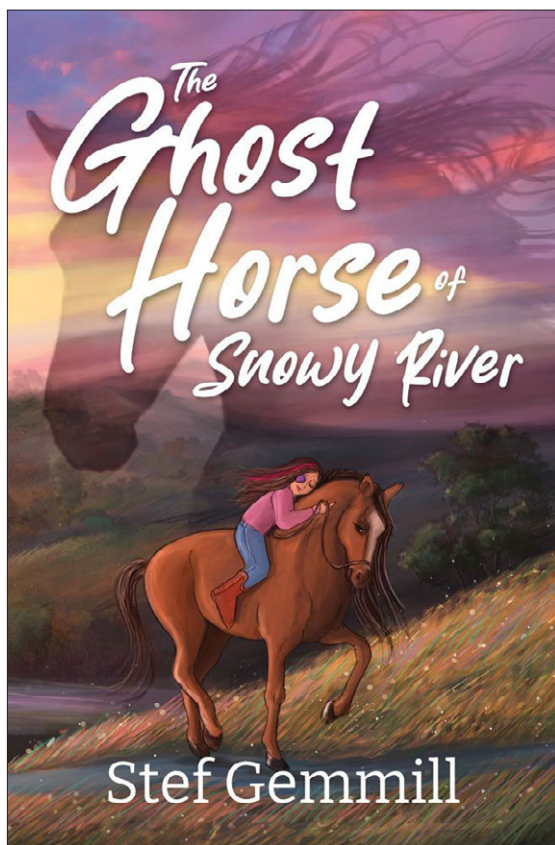
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### About the author and illustrator:

**Caitlin Henderson** is an award-winning wildlife photographer and writer who works with live spiders and other invertebrates. She tells stories of misunderstood wildlife online under the name She's Got Legs Photography.

**Annie Henderson** is an illustrator with a love of nature and finding the beauty in even the smallest of creatures. Her passion for illustration began as a child, when she and her sister Caitlin would spend hours creating drawings of make-believe worlds.



**THE GHOST HORSE OF SNOWY RIVER**  
STEF GEMMILL

- A fast-paced read for children, particularly girls, who are naturally 'pony-mad'
- Stories that are centred on an equine relationship, especially with wild horses like brumbies, have a timeless appeal
- A strong, relatable female protagonist who takes on a big challenge (saving the brumbies)
- Saving the brumbies introduces a purpose-driven narrative with an important cause (conservation, animal welfare)
- Peril and high stakes
- For a child who dreams of owning a horse or being a hero, this story is a direct path to imaginative play and wish fulfillment

**Age range 9 to 12**

A year has passed since 12-year-old Georgie Stone had a serious horseriding accident. She lost an eye, her horse and her country life. All she has left is a horse braid bracelet to remind her of her lost brumby, Magic.

Now that she's back at the cattle station, Georgie tries to overcome her fear of riding and prepare for the two-week cattle muster. But she's worried about the herd of wild brumbies led by the Ghost Horse, being hunted by a local horsewhipper, Goldburn. As the Ghost Horse begins to follow Georgie on the muster, the stallion is in extreme danger. Could the grey stallion be her old horse, Magic? How can she prove it before Goldburn captures him?



978176113543 | June 2026 | Wombat Books | PB | 236pp | 203x133mm | AU \$18.99 | NZ \$21.99



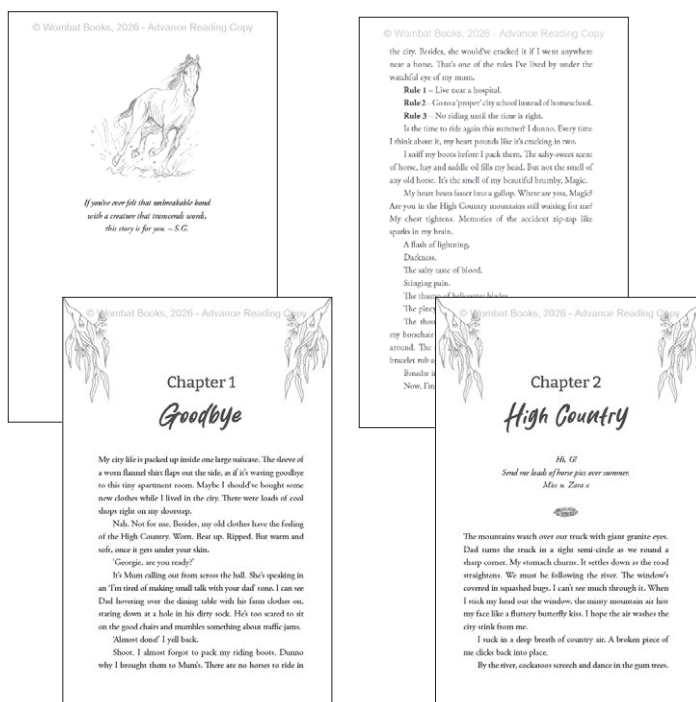
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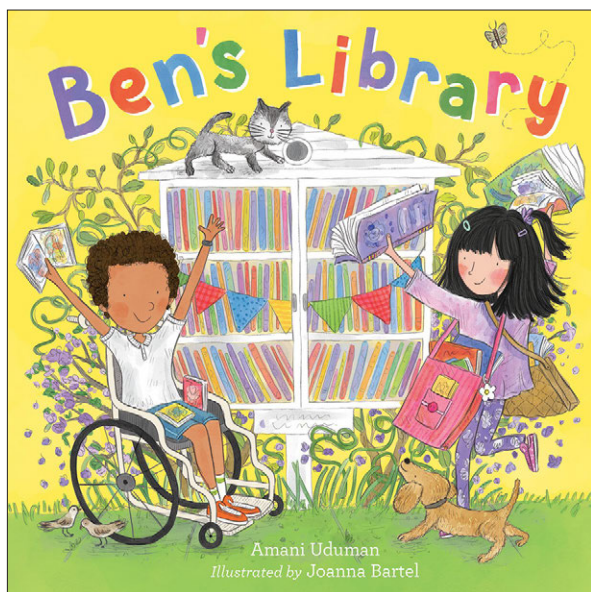
**About the author:**

Previously a technical writer and music journalist, **Stef Gemmill** swapped the mosh-pit for toys and tantrums to write books for curious children. Her work often reflects her quest to understand the true meaning of 'home' after spending a short period in a foster home in her teenage years.

Themes of homelessness and change are reflected in her debut picture book, *A Home for Luna*, winner of the Rubery Book Award (children's category) 2020. Stef's other publications include picture books *In My Dreams*, *Toy Mountain* and *This Drop of Water*. *The Ghost Horse of Snowy River* is the author's first middle-grade fiction book.

Stef lives in the Victorian High Country in winter and on the Surf Coast in summer with her family and sleepy cat, Luna, the star of her award-winning book, *A Home for Luna*.





**BEN'S LIBRARY**

AMANI UDUMAN, ILLUSTRATED BY JOANNA BARTEL

- Celebrates a love for reading, books and libraries
- Diverse characters
- Key themes of friendship, community and determination
- Promotes problem solving
- Encourages charitable acts of service
- Fun, playful illustrations by talented illustrator

Age range 3 to 6

Elisa loves reading and her bookshelf overflows with all the story books that she's read. One day she tries to borrow several books from the school library only to realise that she is unable to carry them home in her bag. However, her new neighbour, Ben, also shares her love for reading. As their friendship blossoms, can Ben help Elisa with her quest to read more books? A heartwarming story celebrating a love for books and friendship.



9781923331150 | June 2026 | New Frontier | HB | 28pp | 254x254mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$32.99



DISCOUNT: GEN



**About the author and illustrator:**

**Amani Uduman** is a children's author based in Melbourne, Australia. Her background is in primary school education and early childhood education. Amani has numerous titles published in the trade, educational and non-profit sectors, with many books translated into different languages. You can find Amani on Instagram: @amani.uduman and on her website: www.amaniuduman.com.au

**Joanna Bartel** is an Australian illustrator with a background in graphic design and secondary school art/design and English teaching. She draws much of her inspiration from everyday family life with three young kids, experiences in teaching, and childhood memories of fun with three brothers and lots of cousins. Joanna has a particular love for character design and celebrating diversity. *Ben's Library* is Joanna's second illustrative work with New Frontier Publishing, following on from *Ava Spark: Hello, I'm Here*. Joanna can be contacted on Instagram: @joanna\_emily\_illustrates and on her website: joanna-emily.com



**JOSIE MACK AND THE MEGA DIVISION**  
 BETHANY LOVERIDGE, ILLUSTRATED BY JADE GOODWIN

- **Highlights the positive and negative impact humans can have on wildlife that can be applied to all countries**
- **Discusses environmental issues, including ways children can be involved in overcoming them**
- **Features several species of Australian native animals**
- **Themes of friendship, conservation, problem solving, and being helpful**
- **Illustrated chapter book containing adventure and humour**

**Age range 6 to 10**

**The FUN need help!**

When a wombat knocks on her window one night, Josie hopes her lifelong wish for a pet has come true. But Ursula the wombat is on an important mission for the Fellowship of Underground Nocturnals (the FUN). The FUN need human-help to solve their wildlife woes.

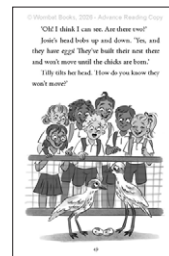
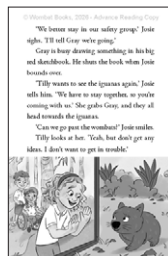
After proving how well they work as a team, Josie and Ursula are invited to join the FUN's MEGA Division, which will make them mega-sized. But will joining the MEGA Division be a mega mistake?



9781761112829 | June 2026 | Wombat Books | PB | 104pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99



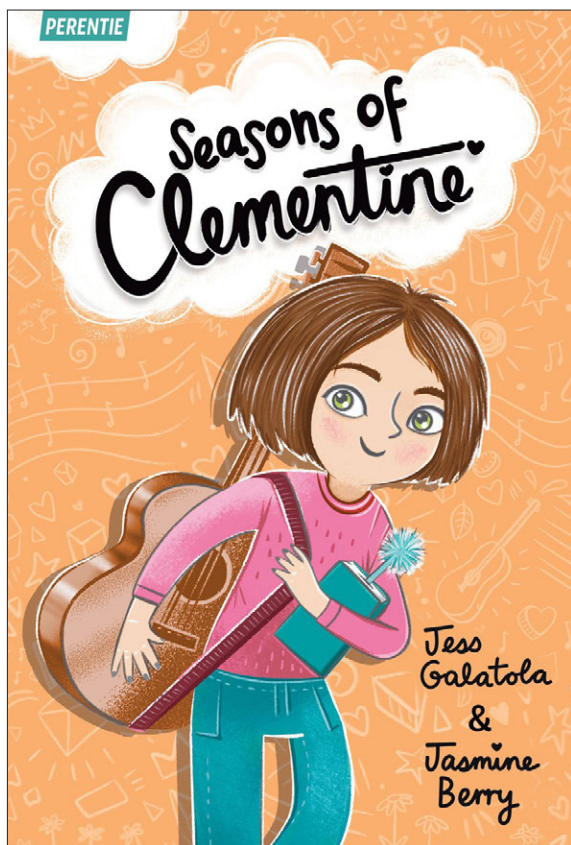
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**About the author and illustrator:**

**Bethany Loveridge** is an author-illustrator, film and art teacher who has always loved storytelling and the natural world. Her work includes arts curriculum and advocacy and educational resources. Bethany won the Chapter Books – Older Readers category at the CYA Conference in 2024 and was the winner of the Book Links Queensland Mentorship in 2023. She achieved third place in the Chapter Books – Younger Readers category at the CYA Conference in 2023. She was shortlisted for the Varuna Residential Fellowship in 2022 and awarded an Australian Society of Authors/Copyright Australia Mentorship to develop her debut novel *Harper Wells: Renegade Timeline Officer*. Bethany lives in Queensland, Australia with her trivia-loving husband and two creative kids. *Josie Mack and the MEGA Division* is Bethany's first junior fiction. You can find out more about her on her website: [bethanyloveridge.com](http://bethanyloveridge.com)

**Jade Goodwin** is an illustrator and proud Gamilaroi woman living and creating on Wonnarua Country in the Hunter Valley, NSW. Since illustrating her first children's book in November 2022, Jade has brought to life more than 23 titles across a range of celebrated series and picture books. Jade's illustrations are known for their warmth, vibrancy and heartfelt storytelling, often celebrating themes of culture, nature and connection. In 2024, she was featured by *SBS/NITV* for her contributions to authentic and inclusive representation in children's publishing. When she's not painting, sketching or working on a new book, Jade can usually be found with a coffee in hand, a cat on her lap, and a good book nearby, or out and about exploring to spark inspiration for her next illustration.



## SEASONS OF CLEMENTINE

JESS GALATOLA, ILLUSTRATED BY JASMINE BERRY

- *Seasons of Clementine* is a sweet and lyrical standalone coming-of-age graphic novel for readers 8+. Told through season-themed chapters, poetic text, and whimsical, restricted-palette illustrations, this heartwarming story follows Clementine, a dreamy tween navigating the ups and downs of friendship, creativity, and growing up
- **Family dynamics:** Perfect for pre-teens grappling with change, transitions of family life and school and friendships
- Clementine processes the impact of her parents' separation, her older sister and best friend moving abroad, and her grandmother being unwell
- Showcases a healthy split family/co-parenting relationship and the quiet strength of both mother and father
- **Friendships:** Strong emphasis on the strength and joy of friendships. Clementine is a sincere, empathetic and kind character who welcomes a new student to the class and collaborates with her to perform at the end of year concert
- **Music and creativity:** Clementine enjoys music, journaling, dreaming and cloazing. Pages of Clementine's 'cloud journal' show her daydreams, lyrical reflection



**PERENTIE PRESS**  
GRAPHIC NOVELS

9781923543102 | June 2026 | Perentie Press | HB | 96pp | 204x140mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99



DISCOUNT: GEN



**Age range 8 to 12**

*I sing too, of clouds above*

*And all the seasons that I love.*

Clementine is a dreamer with her head in the clouds. When her big sister, Florence moves away for music school, Clem is heartbroken. Everything is different. Her life, once filled with music and joy, feels heavy, like rain clouds.

Clem's grandmother is sick, her parents don't live together anymore, and her big sister is no longer just a room away. When the school talent show is announced, Clem can't find the inspiration to write a new cloud song. Will the arrival of a new student (and potential new friend) make everything light again?

*Seasons of Clementine* is a lyrical and charming story about the sun coming out when all feels lost.

### About the author and illustrator:

**Jess Galatola** has always loved storytelling and creative writing. She wrote her first picture book in Grade Two, which won an award. Jess has over ten years experience as a Drama/English teacher and is the author of a number of picture books.

**Jasmine Berry** is a graphic designer, illustrator and storyteller, passionate about bringing ideas to life through art.



## SIX TAKE ONE

R. A. STEPHENS

- An engaging murder mystery for teens from the perspective of a positive protagonist
- Raises topics and questions that teens face today, such as the risks associated with teen parties and underage drinking
- **Minimal Words. Maximum Impact!** *Rhiza Shorts* are teen novellas created for quick reads. They are suitable for every day readers wanting a quick story, as well as reluctant teen readers. Reading age of 10+, Interest age 13+

Age range 13+

A fast-paced, teen-party-gone-wrong, crime novella.

Cassie wonders why she agreed to a New Years Eve party on Johnny's farm.

A car crash. No phone. A storm. And now Kiah is crying murder. Cassie is at the wrong party.

Who is dead? And is one of them a murderer? Can Cassie escape? Can she get home?



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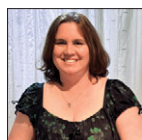


9781761113598 | June 2026 | Rhiza Edge  
| PB | 128pp | 198x127mm | AU \$14.99 |  
NZ \$16.99



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(Brisbane)

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### About the author:

**R. A. Stephens** is a teacher by day, writer, editor and publisher by night. She is passionate about the written word, what stories can do to take a

reader to a new world and open our eyes to love, compassion, the bigger picture and much more.

When not working, teaching or writing, she enjoys living in the country and spending time with her family and animals.

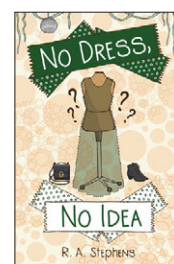
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## NO DRESS, NO IDEA

R. A. STEPHENS



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9781761112485 | June 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 116pp |  
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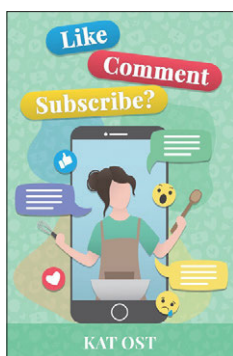


**FLIP**  
REBECCA FRASER

A contemporary Australian young adult drama that explores issues of grief, belonging and honesty through the eyes of a teenage boy.



9781761112898 | September 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 128pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN



**LIKE, COMMENT, SUBSCRIBE?**  
KAT OST

A YA novella exploring themes of identity, individuation, family and friendship through the lens of online influencer culture. Relatable characters, current issues and accessible language.



9781761112577 | August 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 128pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN

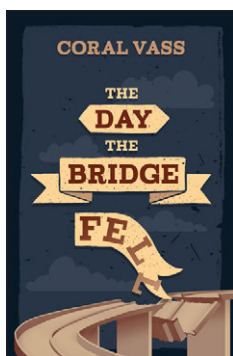


**SKIN**  
DEBORAH KELLY

When a freckle on her cheek turns out to be a rare form of melanoma, surgery leaves fourteen-year-old Lexie with a large scar. A relatable and timely story for teenagers and young adults about overcoming obstacles



9781761112454 | April 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 128pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN

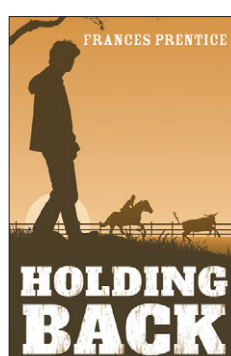


**THE DAY THE BRIDGE FELL**  
CORAL VASS

Ray's father is helping to build the West Gate Bridge when Ray overhears something that fills him with terror. Is the bridge going to collapse? Can his dad survive if it does?



9781761112799 | October 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 128pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN



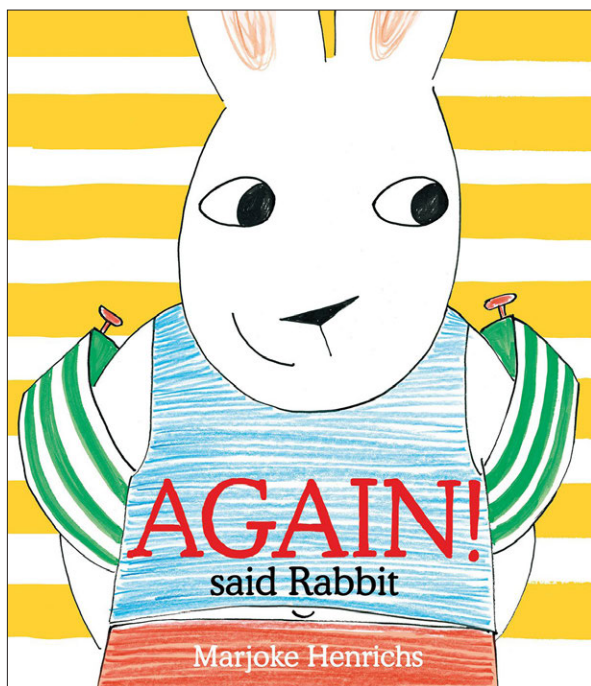
**HOLDING BACK**  
FRANCES PRENTICE

Representing shy and homeschooled teens, readers have the opportunity to see a character challenge himself physically and socially



9781761112546 | July 2025 | Rhiza Edge | PB | 112pp | 198x129mm | AU \$14.99 | NZ \$16.99 | DISC: GEN



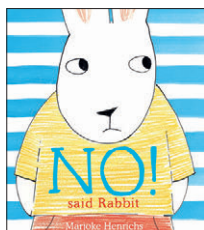


9781836300625 | June 2026 | Scallywag Press | HB | 32pp | 275x240mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99

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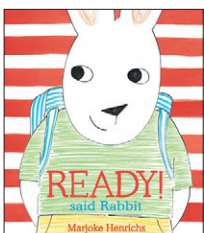
Also available:

**NO! SAID RABBIT**  
MARJOKE HENRICHS



9781912650828 | May 2022 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 270x216mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**READY! SAID RABBIT**  
MARJOKE HENRICHS



9781915252074 | March 2023 | Scallywag Press | PB | 32pp | 275x240mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: GEN

**AGAIN! SAID RABBIT**

MARJOKE HENRICHS

- Young readers will love to join in with the repeated refrain 'Again'
- All days at the seaside have ups and downs – a universal experience for both adults and children
- Rabbit's rollercoaster emotions are handled gently by his parents
- Third title featuring Rabbit. *No! said Rabbit* was shortlisted for the 2021 Book Trust Storytime Prize and longlisted for the Klaus Flugge Prize and received much critical acclaim

Age range 3 to 6

The third book featuring this loveable Rabbit and his family, exploring the emotions in a young child's world.

Rabbit is off to the seaside for the day – this time with his mum and dad. As usual, he prepares for all the activities he wants to do – building sandcastles, playing football, and flying a kite. Rabbit demands to do all the above again and AGAIN, then his long suffering parents take him paddling, but he's surprised by a sudden big wave... plus the sun goes in. Will his day be ruined?

**Praise for *No! said Rabbit*:**

**'By now a familiar picture book character.'** – *Big Issue North*

**'Clever use of repetitive language and the bright, scribbly illustrations full of familiar objects, make this another perfect book for the very young.'** – *Books for Keeps*



**About the author:**

**Marjoke Henrichs** graduated from the MA Children's Book Illustration course at Cambridge School of Art in 2019. She is also a theatre designer and a painter. She was born in the Netherlands and now lives in Suffolk.



## BART IS DIFFERENT

BARROUX

- A quirky and delightful story about embracing difference and finding your true self
- A celebration of creativity
- Charming, comic insect characters that children will love
- A tactile picture book – children can trace Bart's pink thread through the book
- Author and illustrator Barroux has a huge international following

Age range 4+

Bart the spider has always been different. He's not like the other spiders though he looks just like them. He runs about, he jumps, he doesn't listen at school and is scolded by the teacher.

Bart is a dreamer, creating amazing patterns with his thread. But nobody wants to play with him and he stands at the edge of the playground, lonely and misunderstood.

Then his only friend, the wind, changes everything. 'Have confidence and be yourself,' the wind tells Bart. And, helped and inspired by the wind, Bart discovers that he has an incredible, unique talent...

When he shows his very first picture 'Smiling in the Wind', his family and classmates are astonished – Bart has found his true self and happiness, and when he grows up he becomes – a famous artist! Yes, Bart is truly different!



Otter-Barry BOOKS

9781915659637 | June 2026 | Otter Barry Books | HB  
| 32pp | 290x215mm | AU \$26.99 | NZ \$29.99

DISCOUNT: GEN



### About the author:

**Barroux** has won many international honours, including the 2005 Prix Fantasia and the 2015 Prix Medecins Sans Frontieres. Born in Paris, he grew up in Morocco and has also lived in Canada and New York. His most recent books are *Free as a Bird* (2024) and *I Love You, Blue* (2022). He is also illustrator of Hollis Kurman's *Hello: A Counting Book of Kindnesses* (2020) and *Counting in Green* (2023), all published by Otter-Barry Books. He lives in Paris.

**'This book is like a big warm hug that envelops readers ... a first choice for any library's picture book collection.'** – *School Library Journal*, Starred review



## WE ALL LOVE

JULIE FLETT

- The follow-up to *We All Play!* An adorable celebration of all the ways that animals and humans show love – from award-winning Indigenous artist/author Julie Flett
- A glossary of Cree animal names used throughout the text
- A letter to the reader from Julie Flett

Age range 0 to 7

Snuggle up! Animals love – like you!

Join baby bears, little ducklings, curious foxes, and many more adorable creatures as they remind us of all the ways, big and small, that we show love and care. *We All Love* is a poetic and beautifully illustrated reminder of the interconnectedness of the natural world – demonstrating how care, protection, and love are experienced by all living things.

Part of the We Do Too! series, following *We All Play*, *We All Love* is a celebration of the love that connects us all – big and small, near and far.

**We love too! / kîstanaw mîna**

**Praise for *We All Play***

A Best Children's Book of the Year: *New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Globe & Mail*  
*Kirkus* starred review  
*Publishers Weekly* starred review  
*Horn Book* starred review  
*School Library Journal* starred review, and more!



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GREYSTONE  
KIDS

9781778403279 | June 2026 | Greystone Kids | HB | 48pp | 228x228mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99

DISCOUNT: GEN



### About the author:

**Julie Flett** is a Cree-Métis author, illustrator, and artist who has received numerous awards for her books, including the New York Times/New York Public Library Best Illustrated Children's Book Award, two Governor General's Awards, the American Indian Youth Literature Award, and the TD Canadian Children's Literature Award. Her books have been selected for Best of the Year lists by dozens of media outlets, including *The Washington Post*, *Publishers Weekly*, *The Horn Book*, *School Library Journal*, *The Globe and Mail*, and *Kirkus Reviews*. Her critically acclaimed picture books *Let's Go!*, *Birdsong*, and *We All Play*, are also published by Greystone Kids. Julie lives in British Columbia, Canada.



‘...A joyous book: No-fuss, brightly colourful and engagingly authoritative, it is a gem of recent nonfiction for children.’ – *Just Imagine*



9781915659569 | June 2025 | Otter Barry Books | PB | 32pp | 275x240mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99

DISCOUNT: GEN

**About the author & illustrator:**

**Catherine Barr** is a leading author on science and nature topics for young children. She worked for Greenpeace and London’s Natural History Museum before becoming a full-time writer. Her previous books for Otter-Barry are *Red Alert: 15 Endangered Animals Fighting to Survive*; *Invisible Nature: A Secret World Beyond Our Senses* (winner of the Teach Primary science book prize), *Water: Protect Freshwater to Save Life on Earth* and *Wildlife Crossings: Protecting Animal Pathways around the World*. She lives near Hay-on-Wye.

**Christiane Engel** grew up in Germany and now lives in Kent, England. She has an MA in Graphic Art & Design and is an author and book creator as well as an illustrator, with over 50 children’s books to her credit. She works with soft pencil, acrylics, watercolour and digital media. Her first book for Otter-Barry Books was *Water: Protect Freshwater to Save Our Earth* followed by *Wildlife Crossings: Protecting Animal Pathways around the World*.

**WATER**

Protect Freshwater to Save Life on Earth  
 CATHERINE BARR, ILLUSTRATED BY  
 CHRISTIANE ENGEL

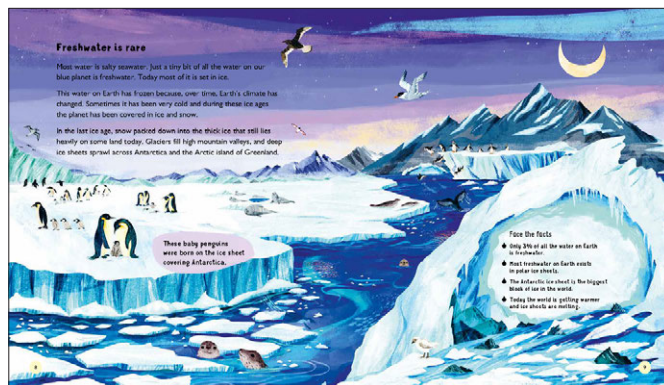
- A ground-breaking global introduction to water that includes sharing and protecting freshwater worldwide

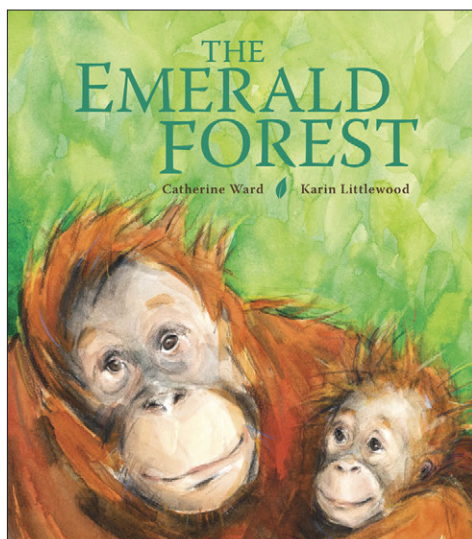
**Age range 6+**

Water is life! Freshwater bubbles, flows and floods with the most wonderful life on Earth – and all of us rely on it to stay alive. BUT today, because of pollution and climate change, it is becoming more and more difficult for people and animals to find the clean freshwater they need to survive. It’s time to act!

*Water* tells the story of freshwater around the world. Discover the history of water, how the water cycle works, learn about the different kinds of water and about the amazing variety of wildlife that freshwater is home to. Then find out what happens to water because of climate change and global heating; the importance of clean water for health; the worldwide problem of water pollution and the devastating impact of water shortage on children’s lives and education.

Catherine Barr challenges us to take action, to use water wisely and protect freshwater to save our planet.





## THE EMERALD FOREST

CATHERINE WARD, ILLUSTRATED BY KARIN LITTLEWOOD

- **Highlights the environmental crisis for orangutans, who are among the world's most critically endangered species; beautiful atmospheric illustrations by a leading illustrator**
- **Includes endnote with information about orangutans and the efforts to ensure their survival in the wild**
- **Based on a real location, the Bukit Tigapulu National Park in Sumatra and the Thirty Hills project to extend the rainforest sanctuary**

### Age range 4+

Life in the forest canopy changes drastically for Orangutan and her family when the tree-cutters move in and their home is destroyed. Where can they live? But for this little family – and hopefully, others – on the tropical island of Sumatra, there are human friends working for their survival and safety.

**'A beautiful, lyrical and moving story of Orangutan, her growing family and the vivid forest in which they live.'** – *Books That Help*

**'The jewel-like illustrations are gorgeous.'** – *Reading Zone*

**'This beautifully told and illustrated story works on many levels.'** – *Bookwagon*



9781915659545 | June 2026 | Otter Barry Books | PB | 32pp | 275x240mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN

## ARE WE READY FOR A PET?

JOLI HANNAH, ILLUSTRATED BY KATHRYN SELBERT

- **Relatable and educational take on a common family situation: When the kids in the family ask the parents for a pet, the parents decide to educate them on the needs of different animals and responsibilities that come with pet ownership**
- **Peek-Through Features: Cut-outs with peepholes are perfect for developing fine motor skills**
- **Search-and-Find game: 'Can you spot?' challenge on every double-page spread**

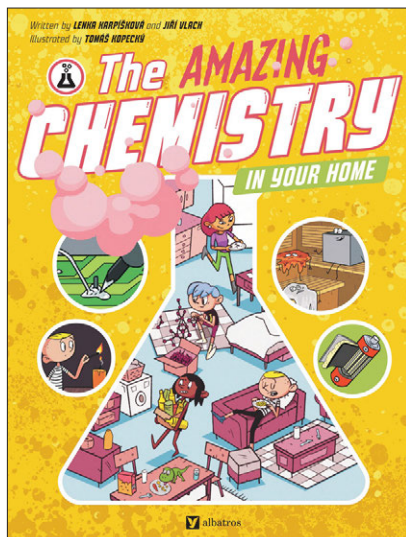
### Age range 3 to 6

#### Pawsitive choices! Find your perfect pet and learn how to love and take care of them!

Thinking about getting a furry, scaly, or feathered friend? Join one adorable family on a heartwarming adventure in *Are We Ready for a Pet?* This beautifully illustrated picture book takes little readers on an exciting journey to discover the perfect pet and learn all about the wonderful (and sometimes messy!) daily tasks of caring for them. Bursting with vibrant colours and fun 'Can you spot?' challenges, kids will explore a variety of amazing animals, from cuddly cats and playful pups to chirping parrots, colourful fish and scaly iguanas! They'll discover what makes each pet unique and special, all while learning valuable lessons about the joys and responsibilities of pet ownership.



9788000076188 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | HB | 14pp | 246x228mm | AU \$22.99 | NZ \$27.99 | DISC: GEN



## THE AMAZING CHEMISTRY IN YOUR HOME

LENKA KARPISOVA, JIRI VLACH,  
ILLUSTRATED BY TOMAS KOPECKY

- Includes instructions for easy and safe experiments at home
- Contains a glossary with an overview of the main terms and easy-to-understand explanations
- Presents a typically challenging topic of chemistry in an innovative and amusing way
- Part of the *Science all Around Us* series, which has received stellar industry reviews
- STEM comes to life with this practical introduction to chemistry

Age range 9 to 12

**Unlock the secrets of your home: A fun chemistry adventure for curious kids!**

Put on your goggles and roll up your sleeves – it's time to dive into the surprisingly cool science happening all around you! *The Amazing Chemistry in Your Home* transforms everyday household items into mind-blowing experiments, revealing the fascinating chemical reactions and elements that make your world tick. Forget boring textbooks! Journey through each room of your house including your kitchen, living room, bedroom, bathroom, garage, dining room, and laundry room and discover why geckos are picky about their frying pans, what creates those stinky kitchen smells, and even the explosive secrets hiding in your batteries.



9788000075723 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | HB | 48pp | 292x231mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

Also available:

## THE AWESOME PHYSICS IN YOUR HOME

THE AMAZING THEATRE OF PHYSICS, ILLUSTRATED BY TOMAS KOPECKY

- This fully illustrated children's book reveals the hidden physics in our everyday lives and our homes, from the kitchen to the bathroom
- Offers step-by-step instructions for safe, interactive experiments at home
- Includes a glossary with clear explanations of key terms

Age range 9 to 12

Step into the extraordinary world of everyday physics with *The Awesome Physics in Your Home*, a fully illustrated non-fiction children's book that reveals the physics that surrounds us within the comfort of our homes, thereby transforming the mundane into the extraordinary.

9788000070940 | November 2024 | Albatros Media | HB | 48pp | 279x228mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN



## THE AWESOME PHYSICS IN YOUR CITY

THE AMAZING THEATRE OF PHYSICS, ILLUSTRATED BY TOMAS KOPECKY

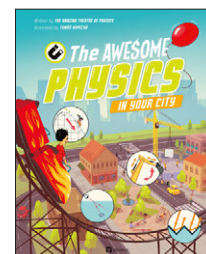
- Explore physics laws: discover fundamental physics principles at ten familiar city locations
- Practical STEM concepts: engaging real-life situations make physics relatable and understandable

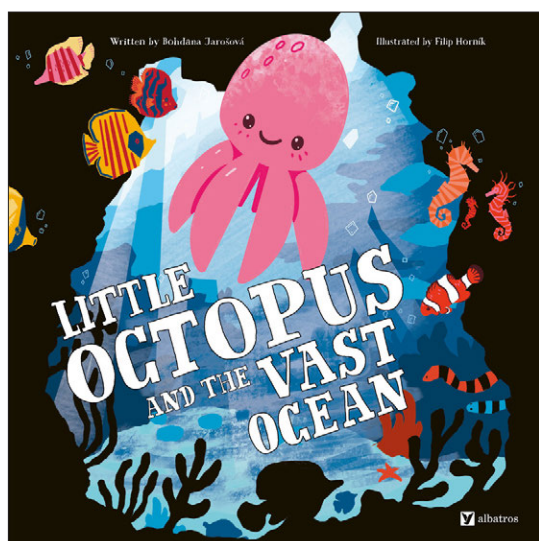
Age range 9 to 12

**Ignite children's curiosity for science with city physics!**

Ready to explore the hidden physics all around you? This engaging STEM book takes kids on an exciting journey through 10 urban settings, uncovering science in everyday places. Following the popular *The Awesome Physics in Your Home*, *The Awesome Physics in Your City* uses relatable examples and hands-on experiments to make learning fun and accessible.

9788000074399 | November 2025 | Albatros Media | HB | 48pp | 292x231mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN





## LITTLE OCTOPUS AND THE VAST OCEAN

BOHDANA JAROSOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY FILIP HORNIK

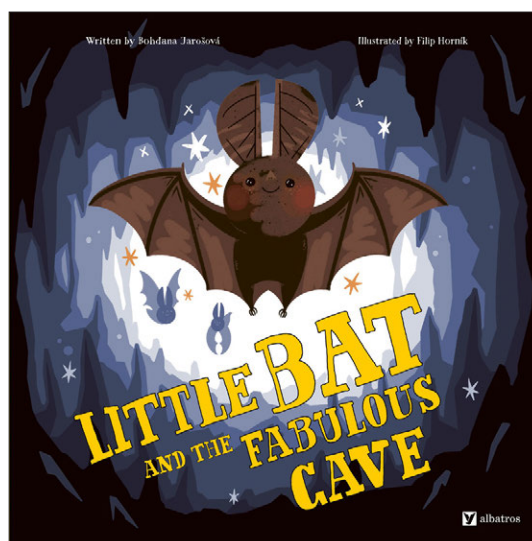
- **An ocean adventure with a lovable octopus: Join Daisy on her exciting explorations and discover the wonders of marine life through her curious eyes**
- **From hermit crabs, herrings, sharks, seahorses, and anemones to shrimp, sea urchin, eels, dolphins, and more, encounter a diverse cast of fascinating ocean inhabitants**
- **Discover interesting and easy-to-understand information about different ocean habitats and the creatures that live there**
- **A great introduction to marine biology**

### Age range 3 to 6

Get ready to explore a world of underwater wonders with Daisy, a curious little octopus eager to discover everything about her ocean home! Join Daisy on her exciting journey as she encounters all sorts of fascinating sea creatures, from a clever hermit crab with a moving anemone to a speedy school of herrings trying to outsmart a hungry shark. *Little Octopus and the Vast Ocean* combines an engaging story with easy-to-understand facts that will introduce young readers to the incredible diversity and the unique habitats of the vast ocean. With vibrant illustrations that bring the underwater world to life, kids will be mesmerised by Daisy's adventures and the amazing things she discovers!



9788000075778 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | HB | 16pp | 241x241mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN



## LITTLE BAT AND THE FABULOUS CAVE

BOHDANA JAROSOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY FILIP HORNIK

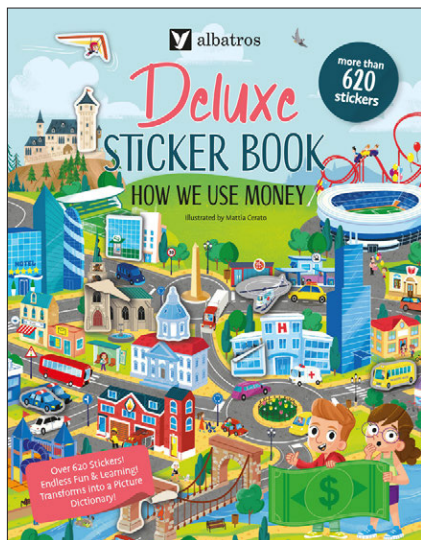
- **Meet a lovable little bat: Join Gary and his friends on an exciting exploration and discover the secret world of bats**
- **Journey into a fascinating underground habitat filled with unique sights, sounds, and creatures**
- **Discover interesting and easy-to-understand information about how bats live, what they eat, and their amazing abilities**
- **Gently introduce young readers to the concept of an ecosystem and how different animals live together in a unique environment**

### Age range 3 to 6

Meet Gary, a super curious greater mouse-eared bat ready to show you all the cool secrets of his amazing cave home! Join Gary and his bat buddies as they zoom through shadowy tunnels, discover the best napping spots hanging upside down, and sniff out the tastiest, juiciest caterpillars for a snack! This delightful picture book takes young adventurers on an exciting journey into a unique underground world, filled with fascinating facts about bats and their environment. With vibrant illustrations that bring the cave to life, kids will be enchanted by Gary's adventures and the incredible ecosystem he calls home. Perfect for animal and nature explorers!



9788000075785 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | HB | 16pp | 241x241mm | AU \$19.99 | NZ \$22.99 | DISC: GEN



## HOW WE USE MONEY

JOLI HANNAH, ILLUSTRATED BY MATTIA CERATO

- **Interactive sticker fun: More than 620+ gorgeous stickers for creative play and learning**
- **Enhances fine motor skills and encourages creativity through sticker placement**
- **Combines fun with learning about budgeting and money concepts, offering both entertainment and educational value**
- **Transforms into a picture story**

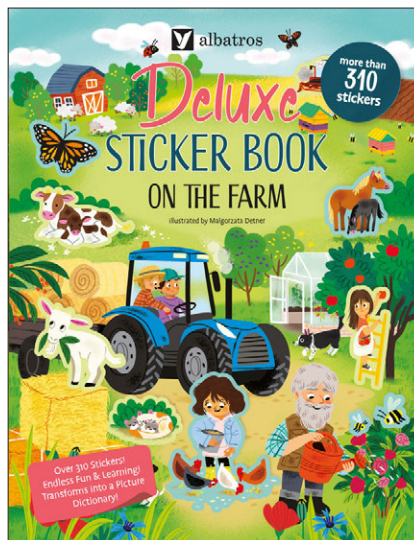
Age range 3 to 7

### Money Smarts: A Sticker Adventure!

Ready for a fun-filled learning adventure? Dive into the world of money with the *How We Use Money Deluxe Sticker Book*! Forget boring lessons – this engaging activity book is packed with over 620 colourful stickers that will keep kids entertained for hours. But the fun doesn't stop there! This isn't just a sticker book; it's a playful introduction to the concept of money. Curious minds will discover the difference between things that cost a lot and things that don't, and start to grasp what they really need versus what's just a fun extra. No counting skills required! By simply placing the cool banknote stickers in their matching spots, children will intuitively understand the value of different amounts. And the best part? Once all the stickers are used, the book transforms into a captivating picture story they can treasure! Get ready for learning that sticks!



9788000076140 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | PB | 24pp | 307x238mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: FIR FIRM SALE



## ON THE FARM

JOLI HANNAH, ILLUSTRATED BY MALGORZATA DETNER

- **Interactive sticker fun: More than 310+ colourful stickers for creative play and learning**
- **Enhances fine motor skills and encourages creativity through sticker placement**
- **Combines fun with learning about farm life and animals, offering both entertainment and educational value**
- **Transforms into a picture story**

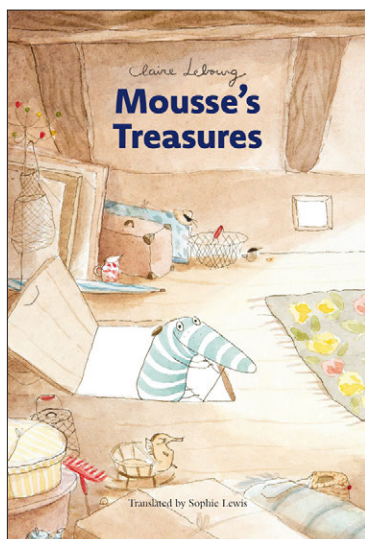
Age range 3 to 7

### Have a clucking good time with over 310+ farm stickers!

Giddy up for some farm-tastic fun! The *On the Farm Deluxe Sticker Book* is bursting with over 310 colourful stickers that will keep little farmers happily engaged for hours! Kids will love bringing vibrant farm scenes to life, placing their favourite animals in the fields, gardens, and barns. But this isn't just about sticker fun – this activity book is also a delightful way to learn about life on the farm! From mooing cows to clucking chickens and busy tractors, children will discover the basics of living on a farm in an exciting and hands-on way. And the best part? Once all the adorable stickers are in place, the book transforms into a wonderful picture storybook that your child can cherish and revisit again and again! Get ready for some down-on-the-farm fun!



9788000076157 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | PB | 24pp | 307x238mm | AU \$16.99 | NZ \$19.99 | DISC: FIR FIRM SALE



### MOUSSE'S TREASURES

CLAIRE LEBOURG, TRANSLATED BY SOPHIE LEWIS

- **A beloved series returns:** The first volume of Lebourg's *Mousse* series, *A Day With Mousse*, was a *New York Times* Best Children's Book of 2024, crowning Mousse a favourite among early readers
- **Adjusting to change:** An often-solitary uncle and creature of habit, Mousse must make adjustments to welcome his spirited niece Pistachio into his home
- **Fans of *Frog and Toad*, *Tove Jansson's Moomin* stories, and *Calvin and Hobbes* will delight in Mousse's world**

Age range 4 to 10

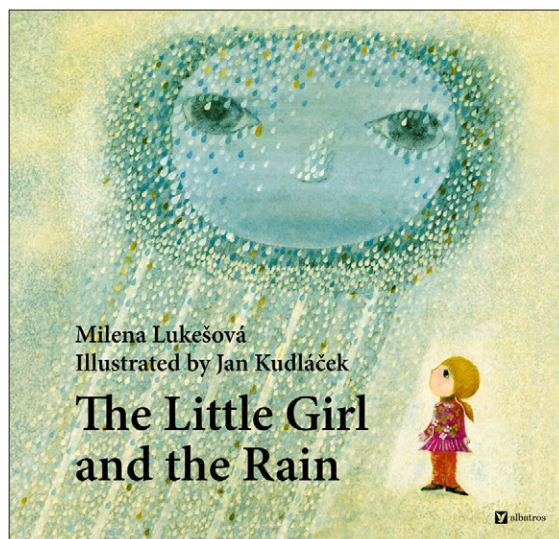
**Mousse learns during a visit from his niece that some treasures are truly priceless.**

Mousse has meticulously prepared for his niece Pistachio's arrival. He's gone to the bakery to buy fresh bread and cheese. In her room, he's set out a fresh notebook, with pens and coloured pencils, and put together a small library with his favourite books. But Pistachio has plans of her own: she only wants to play in the waves.

When Mousse receives a letter from his friend Barnacle about a rummage sale, he and Pistachio rush to the attic to prepare, stumbling upon the treasures hidden in his old house. What memories do they hold?



9788893380293 | June 2026 | Transit Children's Editions | HB | 74pp | 189x123mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



### THE LITTLE GIRL AND THE RAIN

MILENA LUKESOVA, ILLUSTRATED BY JAN KUDLACEK

- **A poetic and heartwarming story that draws readers in with its themes of nature, friendship, and wonder**
- **Stunning vintage illustrations:** Includes beautiful artwork that brings to life a rainy spring day
- **Award-winning author:** Milena Lukešová received the highly prestigious Czech literary award The Golden Ribbon
- **Fosters a love of nature:** Invites young readers to slow down and appreciate the beauty of nature and the outdoors
- **A cover adorned with silver foil stamping creates a beautiful rainfall illusion**

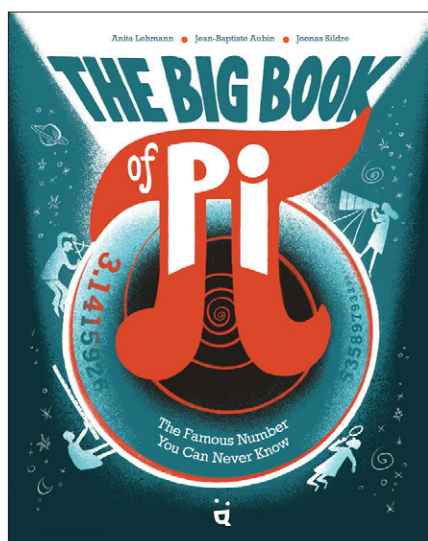
Age range 3 to 6

**Puddle-jumping joy! Discover the magical friendship between a little girl and the rain!**

Join a little girl as she embarks on a whimsical adventure, completely unaware that the playful rain that has gently started to fall has a secret wish – to be her friend! Follow along as the rain playfully 'chases' her, leading to unexpected laughter, splashing in puddles, and a heartwarming connection under the gray sky. *The Little Girl and the Rain* isn't just a story; it's a gentle reminder that even on seemingly ordinary days, magic and friendship can blossom in the most unexpected ways.



9788000076195 | June 2026 | Albatros Media | HB | 36pp | 256x241mm | AU \$29.99 | NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



**‘An astonishing, delightful, and illuminating celebration of mathe-magics.’**  
 – *Kirkus*,  
 starred review



## THE BIG BOOK OF PI

The Famous Number You Can Never Know  
 JEAN-BAPTISTE AUBIN, ANITA LEHMANN,  
 ILLUSTRATED BY JOONAS SILDRE

- **Focuses on the intriguing men and women who have chased Pi through millennia on all parts of the globe**
- **Hi-Low comic style: with comic-strip passages, engaging diagrams and low word count for rising readers with a curiosity for maths**

Age range 9 to 12

**A mathe-magician explores what makes Pi so intriguing, so unknowable and so very important to our lives.**

For millennia, humans have been obsessed with the number Pi. We needed it for architecture, geometry and astronomy, and so it was sought by the ancient Egyptians, the Mayans and the ancient Chinese. But no one has ever found it – and no one ever will because Pi is infinite and irrational. Its decimals contain the birthdates of all the children who have ever lived, every piece of music, the complete works of Shakespeare. Pi never ends and can't be learned, but humans keep on trying. Today, we know trillions of decimals of Pi, even if the first fifteen are more than enough to send a rocket to Mars!

You'll read about a Pi paradox and a Pi magic trick and laugh at more Pi jokes than you ever thought you'd hear. We can't ever know Pi, but there sure is a lot to learn!



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9783039640898 | June 2026 | Helvetiq | HB | 88pp |  
 266x209mm | AU \$39.99 | NZ \$44.99 | DISC: GEN

## FASTER THAN A JET, BIGGER THAN A WHALE

An Illustrated Guide to Measuring Our World  
 ANDREA MINOGLIO, ILLUSTRATED BY  
 BETHANY LORD

- **For lovers of statistics and world records: 96 pages of numbers about science, nature, society**
- **Hi-Low ‘social math’: advanced STEAM themes with modest word count, brief descriptions paired with in-depth explanations**
- **Maps, tables and infographics galore: bold palettes, epic panoramas and special ‘100%-to-scale’ markers for life-sized objects**

Age range 8 to 12

**A lavishly-illustrated guide to real-life wonders large and small! Dive into the biggest, the fastest and the strongest, from nature to technology to the miracles of the human body.**

A gorilla is stronger than a human, but who is the strongest of all? Who's the oldest? Come to think of it, who eats the most? And if we're really asking important questions: who poops the most? (Among mammals, pandas are the champions.)

From Earth's largest mountain (it's not Everest, but Hawaii's Mauna Kea) to Typhoon Tip (the most massive storm in recorded history), we'll journey from the microscopic to the vast, from the long-extinct to the futuristic. This is a book of tiny cells and distant galaxies, massive trees and poisonous spiders.



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9783039641017 | June 2026 | Helvetiq | HB | 96pp |  
 289x234mm | AU \$39.99 | NZ \$44.99 | DISC: GEN

**FARMYARD**

ILLUSTRATED BY LOU CUNNINGHAM

- A huge variety of themed activities to keep little ones busy!

**Age range 3+**

Bring out creativity with this fingerprint activity book. Each page has a scene to complete using coloured fingerprints, pencils and gems, with a 'how to use' guide in the inner case.



9781784684051 | June 2026 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 48pp | 200x230mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: FIR FIRM SALE

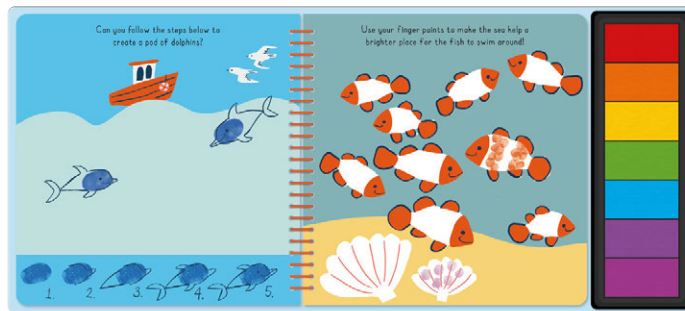
**OCEAN**

ILLUSTRATED BY LOU CUNNINGHAM

- A huge variety of themed activities to keep little ones busy!

**Age range 3+**

Bring out creativity with this fingerprint activity book. Each page has a scene to complete using coloured fingerprints, pencils and gems, with a 'how to use' guide in the inner case.



9781784684068 | June 2026 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 48pp | 200x230mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: FIR FIRM SALE

**VEHICLES**

ILLUSTRATED BY LOU CUNNINGHAM

- A huge variety of themed activities to keep little ones busy!

**Age range 3+**

Bring out creativity with this fingerprint activity book. Each page has a scene to complete using coloured fingerprints, pencils and gems, with a 'how to use' guide in the inner case.



9781784684082 | June 2026 | Really Decent Publishing | BH | 48pp | 200x230mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: FIR FIRM SALE

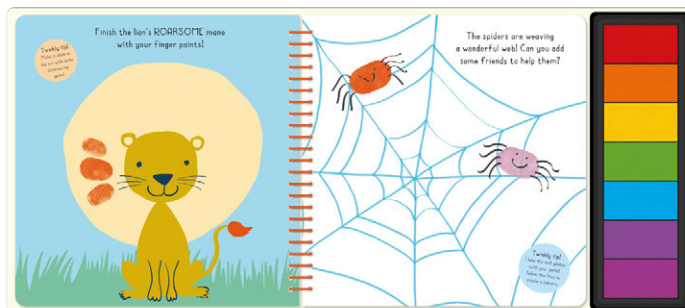
## WILDLIFE

ILLUSTRATED BY LOU CUNNINGHAM

- A huge variety of themed activities to keep little ones busy!

Age range 3+

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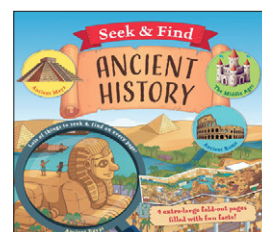
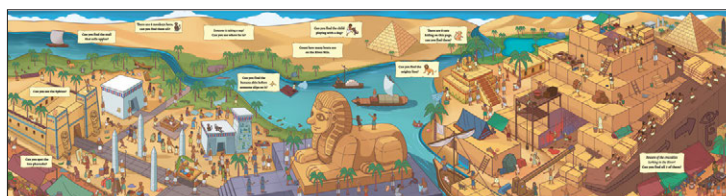
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## SEEK AND FIND: ANCIENT HISTORIES

- With four unfolding pages with detailed illustrations and dozens of facts

Age range 3+

Take a trip back in time to the Ancient World and discover those who ruled it with our amazing *Seek & Find Ancient Histories* book! Have you ever wanted to explore how Ancient Egypt built the pyramids or wondered how Kings and Knights ruled entire kingdoms? Unfold one of the four illustrated pages and marvel at the detailed illustrations and dozens of fun facts capturing a piece of our world's history.



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9781914330513 | June 2026 | MMS Publishing | HB | 8pp | 257x257mm | AU \$24.99 | DISC: GEN

## HIGHER GROUND

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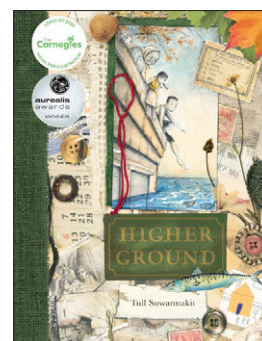
- *Higher Ground* is an inspiring coming-of-age tale of resilience, courage and spirit that illuminates how life can be beautiful even in the darkest of times
- Beautifully illustrated by award-winning author/illustrator whose books have been translated into many languages throughout the world

Age range 5 to 8

**\*\*Winner, Aurealis Awards 2026, Best Graphic Novel / Illustrated Work\*\***

**\*\*Nominated, Carnegie Medal for Illustration 2025\*\***

After a great flood, a grandmother, her two grandchildren and their pet rabbit must learn to survive living on their rooftop garden, relying on scarce resources and limited space. Days turn into weeks, and weeks into months, but through life lessons and words of wisdom, hope emerges.



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9781922326997 | March 2025 | New Frontier | HB | 136pp | 230x170mm | AU \$32.99 | NZ \$37.99 | DISC: GEN



Highlights for Mothers Day  
Sunday 10 May



**THE BEST MUM**  
PENNY HARRISON,  
ILLUSTRATED BY SHARON  
DAVEY

**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  
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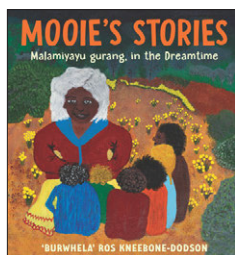
**Age range 3 to 6**

My mummy is cuddly and snuggly and warm.

Mums can be funny and friendly and gentle and strong...all in one day!



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



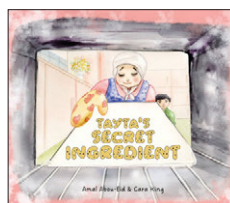
**MOOIE'S STORIES**  
Malamiyayu gurang, in the  
Dreamtime  
'BURWHELA' ROS  
KNEEBONE-DODSON

**Age range 5 to 10**

Dja Dja Wurrung Ancestors' stories as told to me by my mother, my grandmother, my great-grandmother and my great-great-grandmother before her.



9780855751258 | May 2023 |  
Aboriginal Studies Press | HB |  
32pp | 250x230mm | AU \$24.95 |  
NZ \$29.99 | DISC: GEN



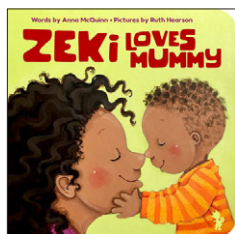
**TAYTA'S SECRET INGREDIENT**  
AMAL ABU-EID,  
ILLUSTRATED BY CARA  
KING

**All ages**

A heart-warming intergenerational story about everyday life in multicultural Australia, where a curious boy takes centre stage alongside his beloved baking grandmother.



9781922858122 | March 2024 |  
MidnightSun Publishing | HB |  
32pp | 240x280mm | AU \$29.99 |  
NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN



**ZEKI LOVES MUMMY**  
ANNA MCQUINN,  
ILLUSTRATED BY RUTH  
HEARSON

**Age range 0 to 3**

Share the delight of a day with Zeki and his mummy!

9781907825330 | May 2021 | Alanna  
Max | PB | 24pp | 200x185mm |  
AU \$16.99 | DISC: GEN



**STILL THIS LOVE GOES ON**  
BUFFY SAINTE-MARIE,  
ILLUSTRATED BY JULIE  
FLETT, JULIE FLETT

**Age range 3 to 7**

A celebration of Indigenous community, and the enduring love we hold for the people and places we are far away from.

9781771648073 | February 2023  
| Greystone Kids | HB | 40pp  
| 279x228mm | AU \$29.99 |  
NZ \$34.99 | DISC: GEN

